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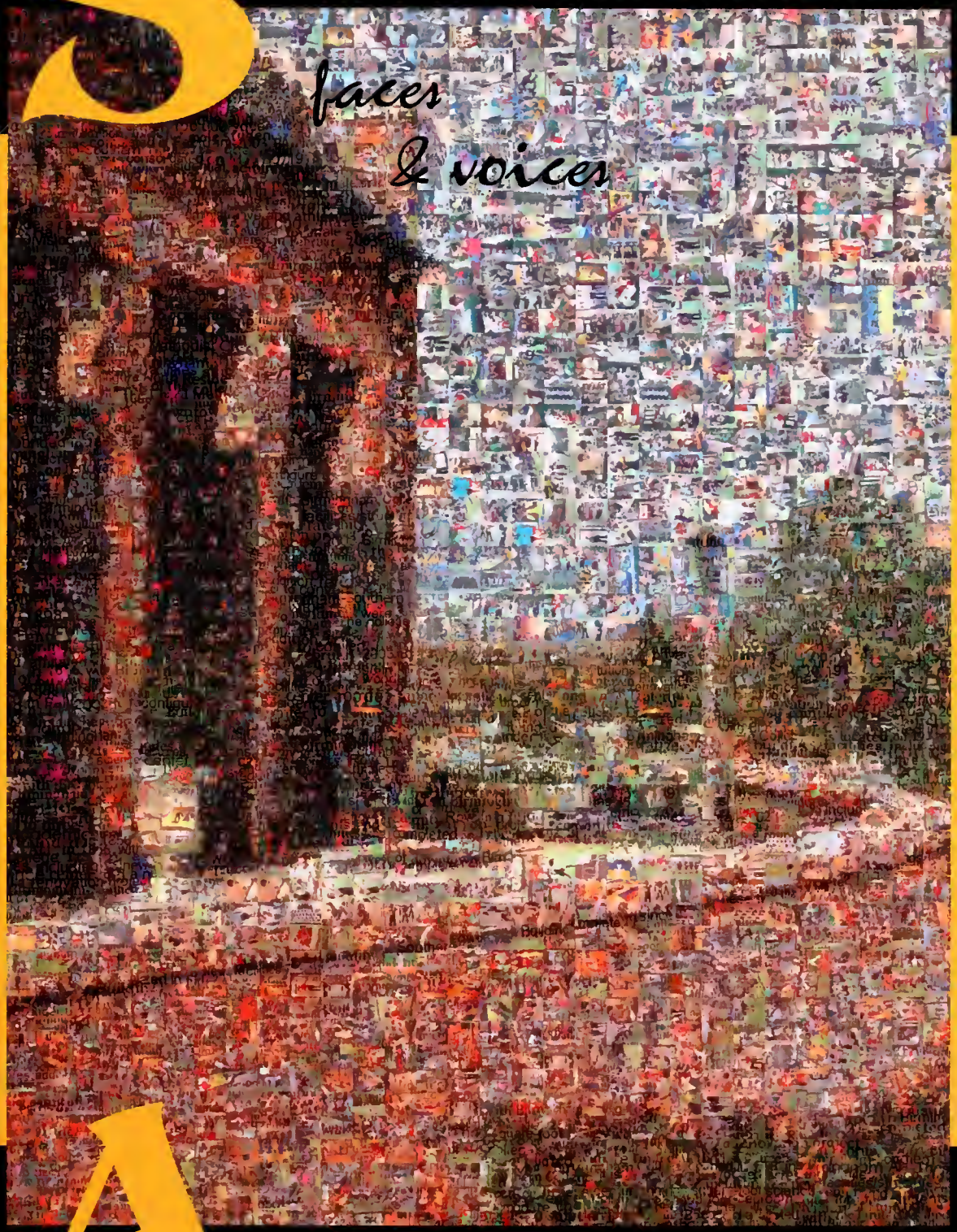

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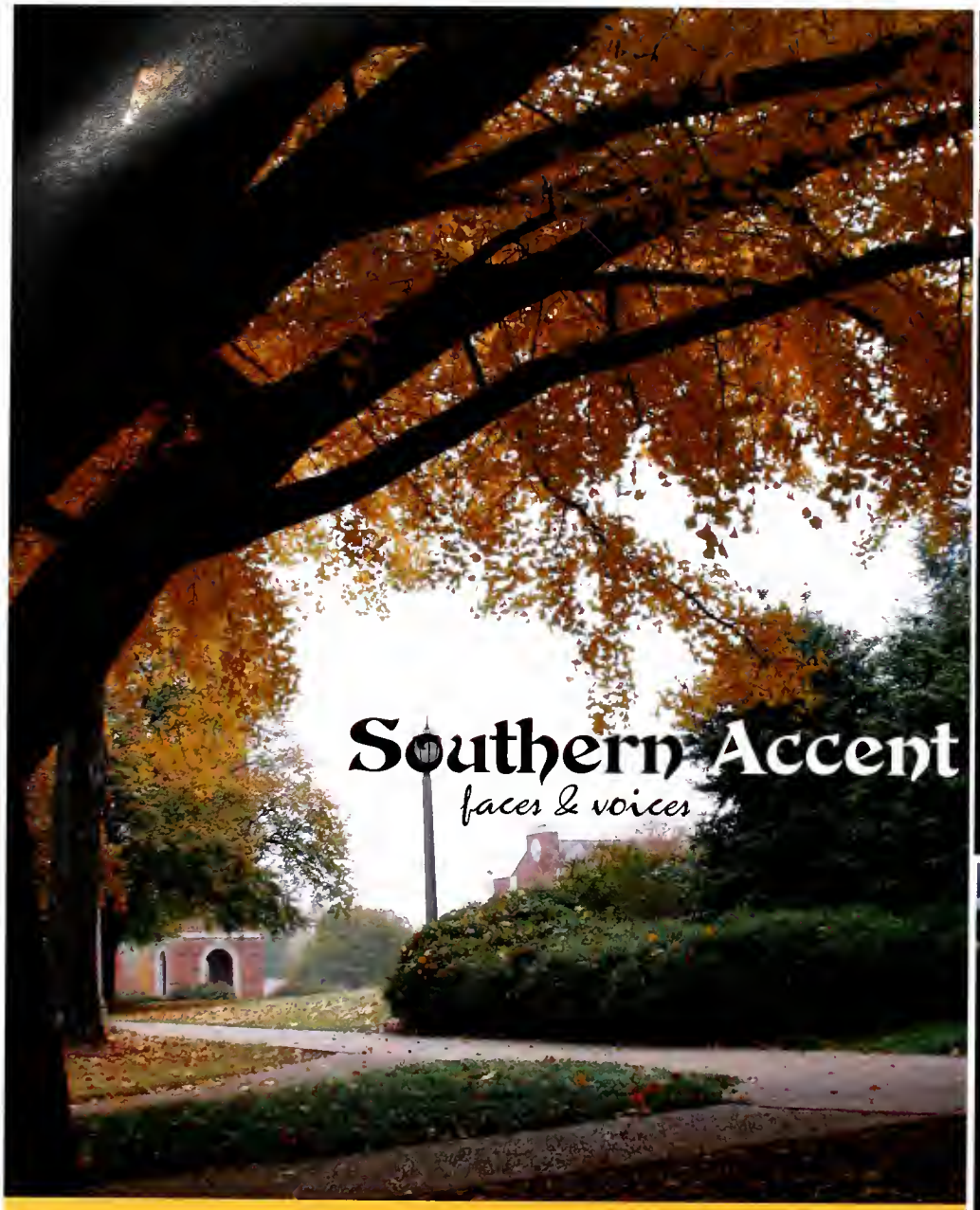
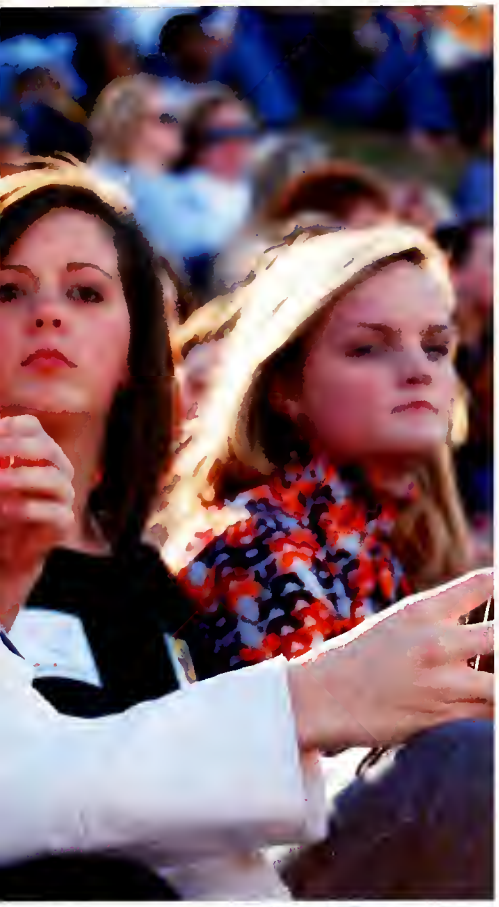


Southern Accent's theme for the 2009 yearbook, 'Southern Faces and Southern Voices, expresses the staff's primary goal for this year's annual. Birmingham-Southern College students represent a diverse group of individuals who express themselves in many different ways. Capturing these diverse expressions is what we strive for in this book. In addition, the students have a voice that deserves to be heard. Students come from all different backgrounds and perspectives, and no two voices on campus will be the same. Living and learning in Birmingham-Southern's liberal arts atmosphere, it is impossible to deny the power of the spoken and the written word and the value of conveying one's thoughts and opinions through those words. This is a year when students publicly express their opinion, many for the very first time, during a Presidential Election and choose the next leader of our country. The leadership of our country, however, does not rest solely in the results of this year's national election, but with the students on this campus who are taught to become leaders themselves. Southern Accent hopes to put a face and a voice to the next generation of leaders.



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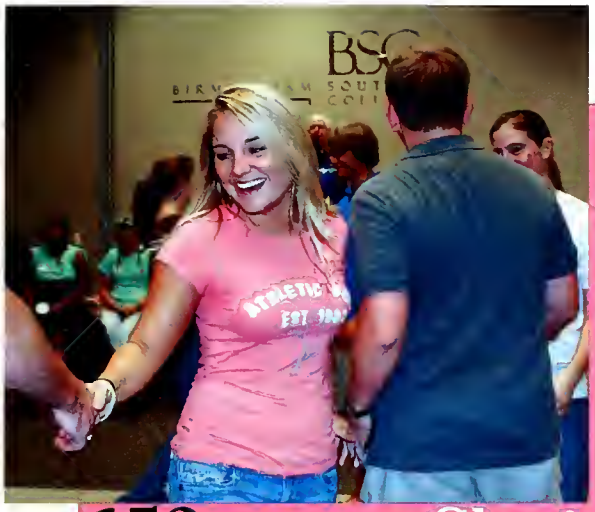

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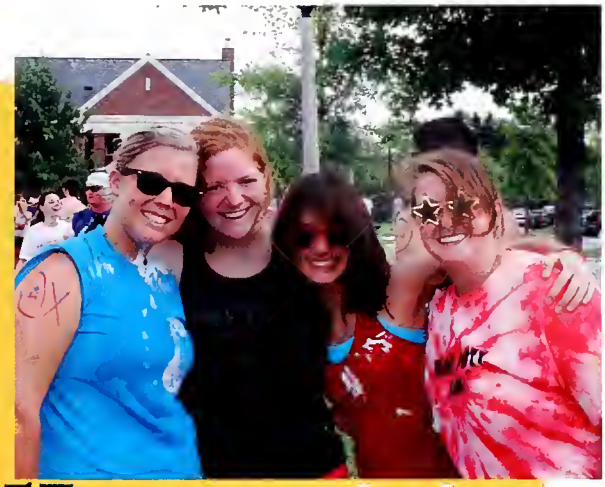

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Student Life

Students at the college engage in a variety of activities outside of academics, organizations, sports, and Greek life. They attend concerts, plays, and the Homecoming football game. In addition to this entertainment, they also volunteer their spare time to help those in the community, as well as across the world. Since this is a small liberal arts college, much of its students' time is spent creating a community on campus, where the majority of the students live. In order to enrich this community, students participate in residential programs and enjoy simply hanging out with those around them.

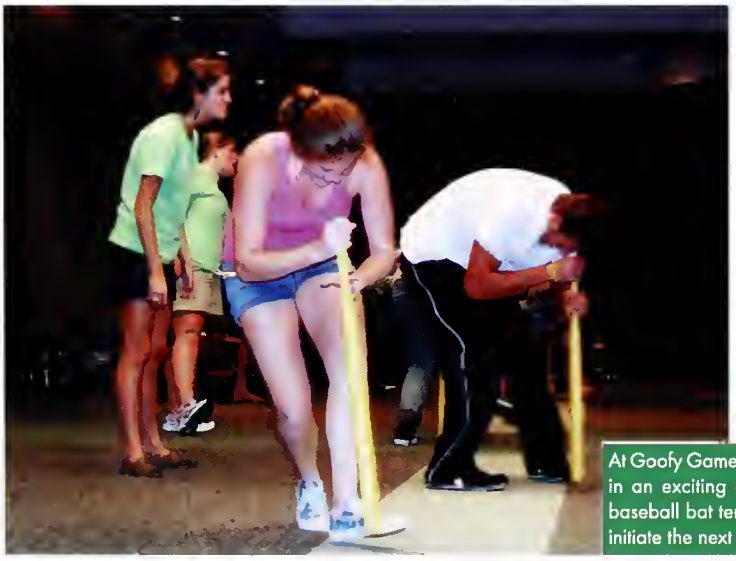
Freshman **Brandi Cook** carries her bedding to her new dorm room. Recalling the day of move-in, Brandi said, "It was an exciting day. My parents, room mate, and I had a lot of fun decorating our room."

Freshmen **Camille Connada** and **Stephen Wilson** dance around at the square dance. SOS member, **Kelly Gronemeyer** (not pictured), cited the square dance as being her favorite event during orientation. Kelly said, "It's such an entertaining, uncanventional thing for us to participate in, and everyone always enjoys it."

New Student Orientation

As soon as students move in, they are greeted by their Resident Advisors and members of Students Offering Support (SOS) who represent the college in welcoming them. In addition to the experience of moving away from home for the first time, new student orientation offers a variety of exciting activities for new students to the college, planned by SOS. These activities include a square dance, goofy games, and a comedy act. SOS members also use this time to educate new students on what college life is all about.

Resident Advisor **Kaitlin Nobles**, a sophmore, greets her freshman resident, **Jessica Ansley**. Jessica, remembering her experience of moving into the dorm, said, "The first day was kind of intense with all of the moving in. I could barely walk around my room because of all our stuff."



At Goofy Games, freshman **Mandi Halbroook** engages in an exciting game that involves spinning around a baseball bat ten times and then tagging a teammate to initiate the next person's turn.

Each year, SOS archestrates a group of skits to entertain and educate new students on the essentials of coming to college. SOS members **Ben Roberts**, **Ania Lyn**, **Ben Jones**, and **Kelly Gronemeyer** performed a skit about underage drinking and partying during the Cryin', Laughin', Lavin', Leavin' show. Ben Jones later said, "I remember the feeling of apprehension I had when I first came to BSC, and what a difference it made to have older students there to help out. It also gives me an excuse to let my inner craziness out for a few days during orientation as SOS tries to encourage the new students to open up and be themselves."

Resident Advisors **Craig Hamm** and **Faith Renneker**, accompanied by sophomore **Mitchell Dean**, pose for the camera while waiting for freshmen to move in. As evident by the RA's t-shirts and stance, the Resident Advisors hoped to take on a superhuman role for the incoming freshmen students.

SOS member **Mikey Graham** dons his costume for the Cryin', Laughin', Lavin', Leavin' show. Although Mikey could not be immediately reached for comment, his attire and the expression on his face can perhaps convey more than simple words.

Freshmen **Maddie Walker** and **Zach Glaser** share a dance during the square dancing festivities.

Right: Resident Advisors **Hunter Pugh**, **Craig Hamm**, and **Kaitlin Nobles** participate in a team-building exercise at the ropes course.

Below: Resident Advisors **Hal Halbert** and **Riley White** work together to complete a team task.

Above: House Director **Laura Spurgeon** rounds up the groups during training.

Right: Resident Advisor **Kayse Ecklemann** allows fellow RAs to lift her through a net in a game of problem solving.

Caitlin Hartley, the House Director of Margaret Daniel, speaks with one of her Resident Advisors, **Lauren Sellers**, on freshmen move-in day.

Residence Life

The majority of students live on-campus, making residence life an integral part of the college community. Each spring, the Residence Life Office accepts applications for students wishing to serve in one of the most important roles on campus, that of the Resident Advisor. The selection process involves many tasks aimed at gauging the student's ability to problem solve, handle difficult situations, and come up with creative ways to foster a community atmosphere within the residence hall. Once the Resident Advisors are chosen, they must participate in a week-long rigorous training prior to taking on a leadership role in the residence halls. During this training, upcoming Resident Advisors not only learn about the duties and responsibilities involved with the position, they also engage in activities that teach them how to handle the serious issues they will encounter while serving as a Resident Advisor, including underage drinking, roommate disagreements, and depression. Once the training is complete, the Residence Life staff is prepared to create a community on campus that is both safe and fun.

Resident Advisor **Farrest Baughner** dons his cape on a sunny afternoon during RA Training.

Resident Advisors **Conrad Blunk**, **Robert Hanhaman**, Russ Norris, **Randy Long**, **James Waters**, and **Hal Halbert** practice handling difficult situations through role-play during Trouble Alley.

Katie Glen, **Charlsie Wigley**, and **Hunter Pugh** get ready to serve breakfast in the food kitchen at Glide Memorial Methodist Church on the San Francisco Interim trip. Hunter said, "Through Service-Learning students can learn more about themselves and how to respond to any community that we live in by becoming an active member."

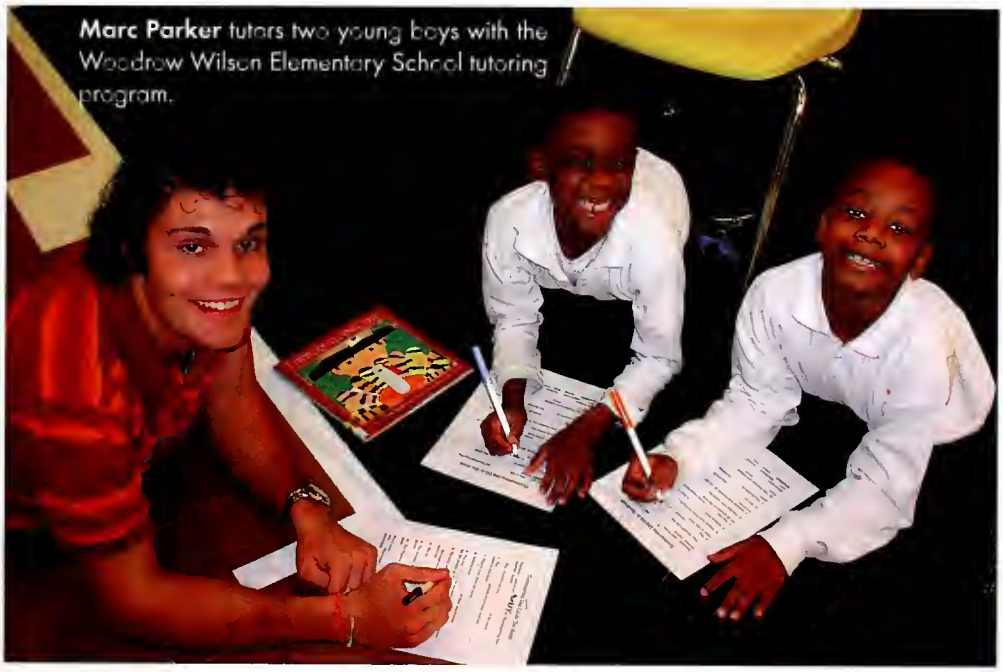
Anne Condit and **Angela Groves** work on a home during their Service-Learning Interim to Mozambique. Anne said, "Service-Learning has shown me that everything is intrinsically linked-from people to policy to the environment. If I want to change the world, I have to start small- and I'm okay with that."

Jennifer Commander tutors a young girl in Service-Learnings ESL program.

Dr. Barry Spieler teaches a young boy how to play the guitar on the Mozambique Interim trip.

Service-Learning

The Service-Learning program offers students a variety of ways to engage with the local, national, and global community. Service-Learning has partnered with several organizations in the local area to give students a chance to volunteer with ongoing service projects. Students can regularly tutor young children or high school students, as well as international students. They can also serve dinner to and interact with women and children at a local homeless shelter. In addition to these and other ongoing projects, Service-Learning provides temporary projects through their Alternative Spring Break and Interim in Service-Learning. The Alternative Spring Break gives students a chance to devote their break to a worthy cause. The Interim in Service-Learning allows students to travel to another part of the country or the world, as well as stay close to campus, and volunteer for course credit. With the variety of projects available, many students find at least one that suits their interests and abilities.



Marc Parker tutors two young boys with the Woodrow Wilson Elementary School tutoring program.

Hannah Holland helped to sort, move, and box over 300 tons of canned goods that the San Francisco Food Bank had received from donations. Hannah said, "I love that every time I do something with Service-Learning, I have a chance to have a real experience with people whose stories connect us together. In those experiences I have seen glimpses of ways the world is suffering and ways that the world can be healed."

Amy Monroe and **Katie Glen** pose with children from an elementary school class while on the Interim trip to San Francisco.

SGA Christmas Party

Each year, the Student Government Association (SGA) hosts a Christmas party for the student body and the surrounding community. They provide food, games, arts and crafts, as well as arrange for a special guest, none other than Saint Nick himself. This event allows students get into the holiday spirit before exams and the Christmas break that follows.

A student gives Santa a kiss before telling him what she would like for Christmas.

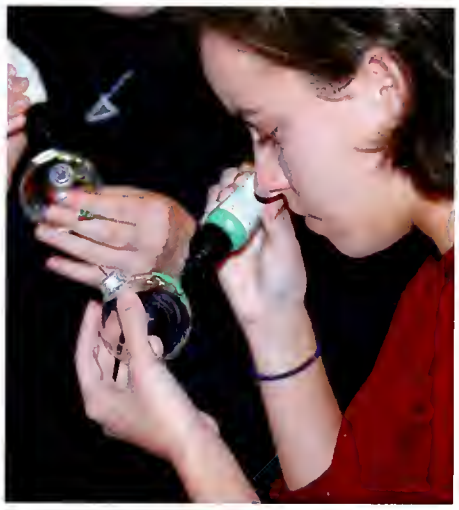
The SGA provides many tasty treats for those attending to munch on.

A BSC student poses with Santa Claus.

Senior **Natalie Ausburn** enjoys the festivities at the Christmas Party.

A chef prepares the food to be served.

Students and the community mingle together to celebrate the upcoming holidays.



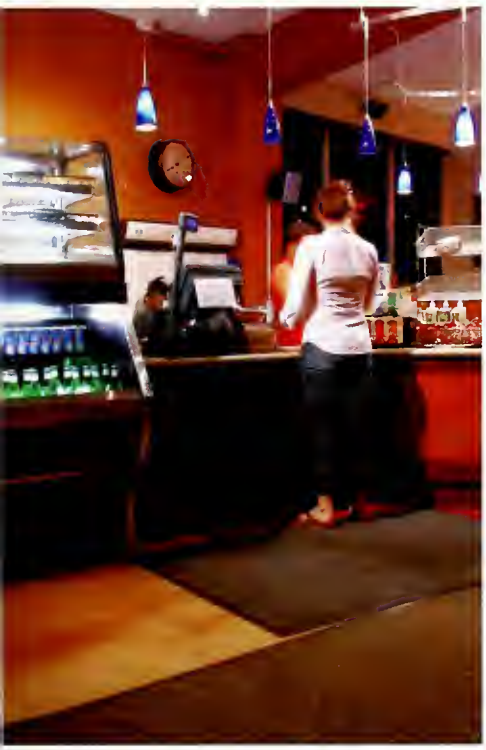
BSC students and the community both participate in the arts and crafts tables.

SGA President **Trey Cotney** stands in the food bar line.

Salsa Dance Night proved to be a big hit among the student body, with many in attendance.

Some students became frustrated during the Salsa Dance and needed a break.

A student enjoys one of the live musical performances available in the Attic this year.



The Attic

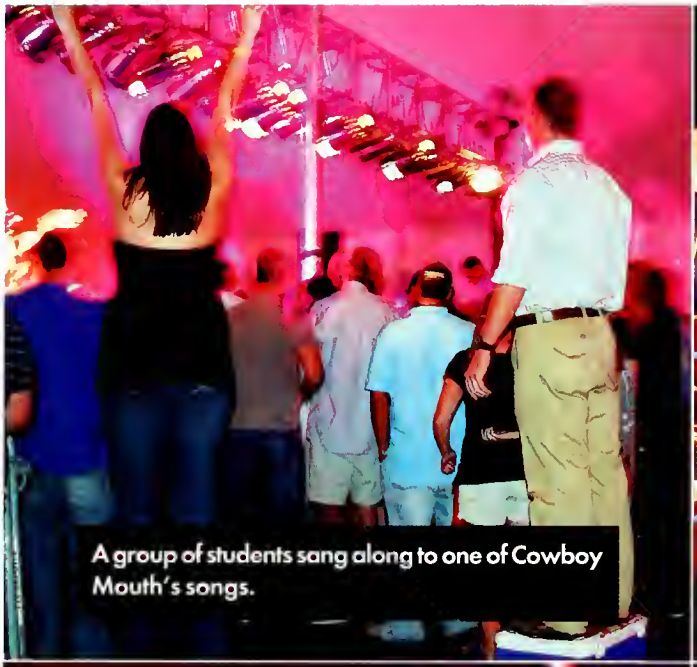
The Attic, a popular place to hang out for the student body, is located on the dorm quad, just above the Convenience Store. The Attic serves as a coffee shop, as well as a place for studying and socializing. Throughout the year, many events are held in the Attic, including a karaoke show, a game night, and a salsa dance night. Up late studying for exams and writing papers, students offten find themselves wandering into the Attic for their late-night caffeine needs. This multi-purpose venue keeps students energized and bonded.

A student purchases a coffee from the coffee shop in the Attic.

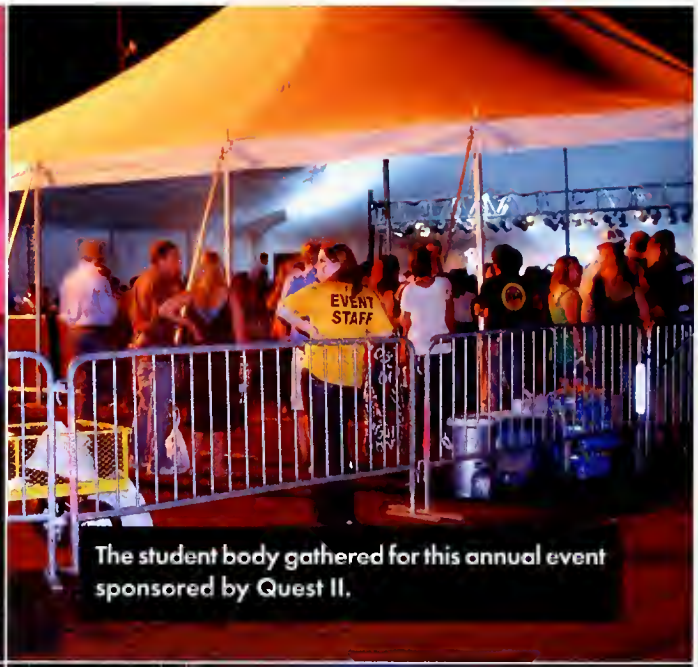
Two students practice their salsa dance during a dance class in the Attic.

A group of students gather in the Attic to study for an exam and socialize.

E-Fest

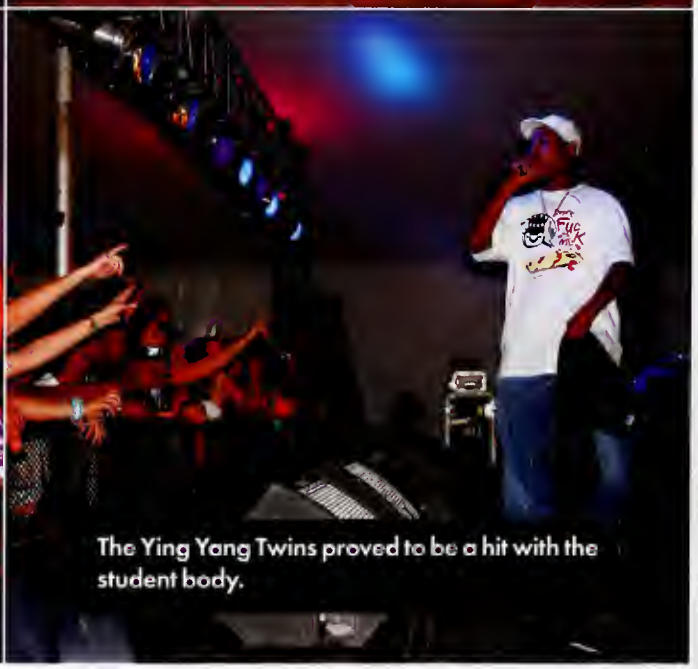


A group of students sang along to one of Cowboy Mouth's songs.



The student body gathered for this annual event sponsored by Quest II.

Students stood in front of the stage to snap photos of their favorite act.



The Ying Yang Twins proved to be a hit with the student body.

Each fall, Quest II sponsors the Entertainment Fest, an annual concert event held outside when the weather permits, and in Bill Battle Coliseum when it does not. This year's E-Fest brought two acts to campus. The first act, the Ying Yang Twins, proved popular with the student body. Their performance drew a large crowd of students who were eager to dance to the Ying Yang Twin's original songs, as well as their renditions of other popular rap and R&B songs. Cowboy Mouth, a rock band based out of New Orleans, followed the Ying Yang Twins with a very different style of music but left the crowd just as pleased.

Students watch as Cowboy Mouth rocks out on stage.

a Senior **Christie Wenke** worked the booth for the College Democrats and teaches a couple of children how to play pin the tail on the donkey.

b **Cedric Rudoph** and **Mary Katherine Foster** acted out a scary children's book for the kids.

c **Ben Tracy** engages the children in a fun game of 'Hoop- The-Scarecrow.'

d **Hampton Honeycutt, Janelle West,** and **Kristen Farr** posed in their costumes before working for the RHA booth.

e Two BSC students demonstrate to the children how their game can be won.

f BSC students went all out on their costumes for the Halloween on the Hilltop event.

Halloween on the Hilltop

Halloween night on the Hilltop is full of events, not only for the student body, but also for the community at large. Student organizations set up booths all along the Residential Quad, providing games, entertainment, and goodies to the children in the neighborhood. In addition to the kids arriving in costume, students, faculty, and staff also don their Halloween costumes, making for a festive event. At Halloween on the Hilltop, children are provided with a free dinner, an evening of fun and games, and can trick or treat through one of the residence halls. The event gives BSC students the chance to interact with neighborhood families in fun and creative ways.

A BSC student carries around the inflatable animal he won.

Christie Wenke and **Christie Harris** pose for a photo with another student during the event.

BSC student, **Mary Catherine McAnnally**, performs during SOCO.

SOCO

SOCO is a spring musical festival held outside each year on campus when the weather permits. Students gather on Friday and Saturday to listen to their favorite band or to hear one for the very first time. Studnets also use the concert series as a place to socialize with each other to the sound of good tunes playing in the background. This event is sponsored by Quest II, who offers the student body an eclectic variety of music to enjoy underneath the warm spring sun.

A group of students sing onstoge at SOCO.

Dance Productions

Each year, the Dance Department puts on several live dance performances for the student body and community. Prior to each performance, the dancers engage in several months of intense practice to perfect their moves and choreography. This year the Dance Department put on three productions. The first, in the fall, was called "Taste of the Season: A Winter Dance," and featured dancers clad in holiday costumes. The second, a spring concert, was held in early March. Their final performance took place in May and was called "Free at Last!"

All pictures were taken and provided by Professor Karlo Senasi.

Theatre Productions

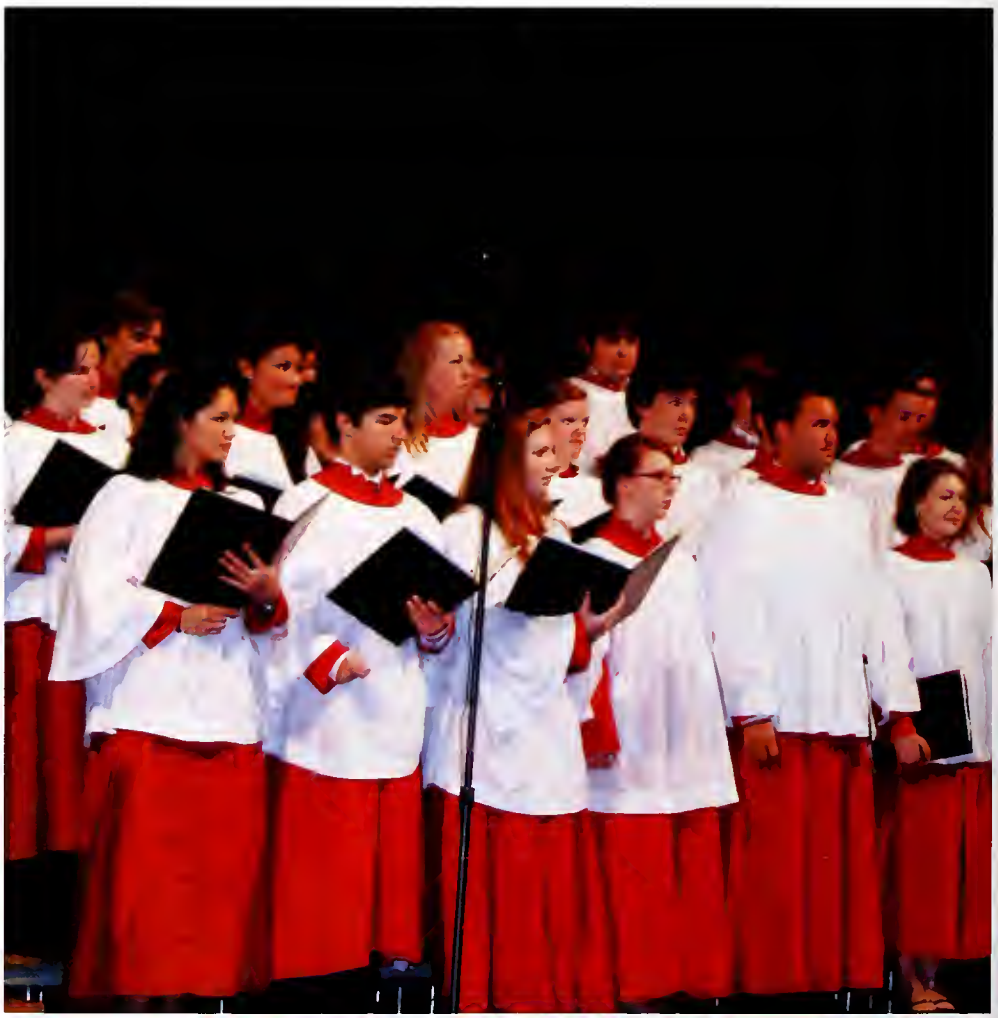
Every year, the Theatre Department performs three shows: one in the fall, one during the interim semester, and another during the spring. This year, the Theatre Department put on both a well-known play, as well as a seldom performed one. The first play the department prepared was the musical "West Side Story," a very familiar and popular play that has even reached the big screen. Their interim performance was of a drama called "Dead Man Walking." In the spring, the Theatre Department put on a comedy called "You Can't Take it With You." Whatever the play or the genre, the Theatre Department proved their talent and ability to take on any script.

Graduation

Birmingham-Southern College held its 150th Commencement ceremony this year. At the ceremony, community leaders Artur Davis and alumni David R. Baker were presented honorary Doctor of Laws degrees from the college. Dr. Natalie Davis, Outstanding Educator of the Year of 2008, gave the commencement speach to the class of 2009. The college conferred 250 bachelor's degrees and nine master's degrees.

Trey Cotney poses for the camera before the commencement ceremony.

Senior **Jessie Wagner** smiles after receiving her degree during the ceremony.



The choir performs during the graduation ceremony.

Members of the Board applaud the graduating class of 2009 for their achievements.

Professors congratulate their former students.

Members of the class of 2009 pause to take a picture together.

Individuals

Enrollment has reached a record high for the college with a total of nearly fourteen hundred students matriculating. The students that comprise this student body represent a variety of backgrounds and interests. The college attracts students from all across this country and other nations as well. Not only are thirty states represented among the student body, but the college has attracted students from eight foreign countries. In concordance with its mission, the college has become increasingly more diverse each academic year.

Freshmen

Katie Adams

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Courtney Alexander

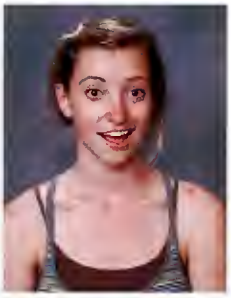
Gaukhar Amandossova

Linda Amaya

Jessica Ansley

Andrew Bailey

Matthew Barnes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Daniel Burgin

Claire Burns

Lauren Cage

Jesse Calvert

Courtney Campbell

L.J. Campbell

Antonio Castanon

John Michael Chappell

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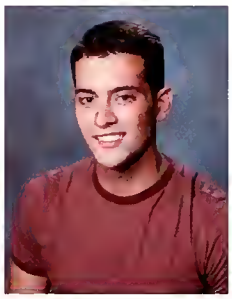
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Dubi DuBuisson

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Sara Dupre

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Rob Eakin

Matilda Easterbrook

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Rick Ewbank

Amanda Farrell

Ronni Ferris

Melissa Fetterer

Tianran Geng

Abbi Gillis

Lex Gilmore

Tyler Glen

Yokeca Goff

Yuan Gong

Anna Goode

Britni Greene

Bryan Grissett

Kayla Gronemeyer

Laura Haile

Mandi Halbrooks

David Hall

Lin Han

Will Hannon

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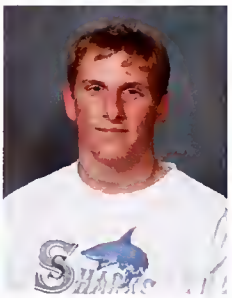
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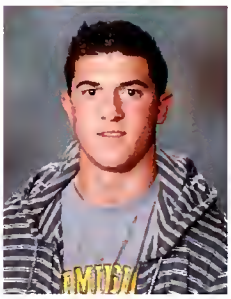
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Dustin Massey

Kyrsten Matthews

Jessica Mayne

Sarah McCune

Mary McDaniel

Brenna McGee

Watson McGough

Jacob McPherson

Connor McVey

Jesse Meier

Nathan Merritt

Lauren Metzger

Dan Middleton

Robyn Mielke

Lauren Miles

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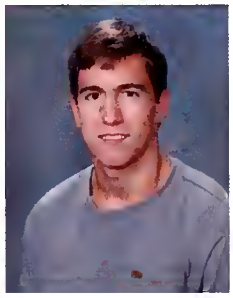
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Crystal Shurett

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Katie Stewart

Mitch Swanson

Brian Teed

Emily Teumer

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Wil Truelove

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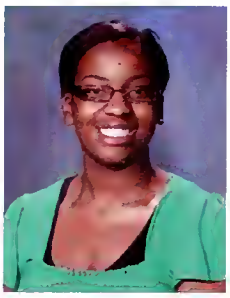
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Mitchell Dean

Morgan Eads

Kristen Farr

Jerry Flanary

Demetrius Foy

Anice Freeman

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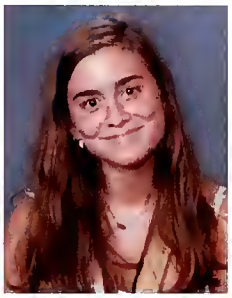
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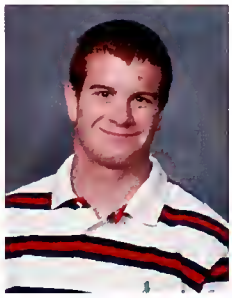
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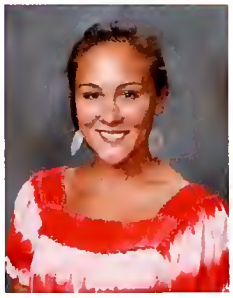
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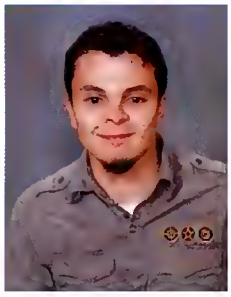
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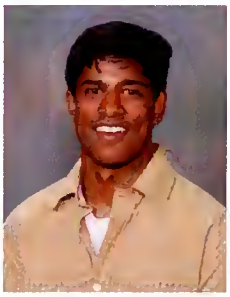
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Senior Moments

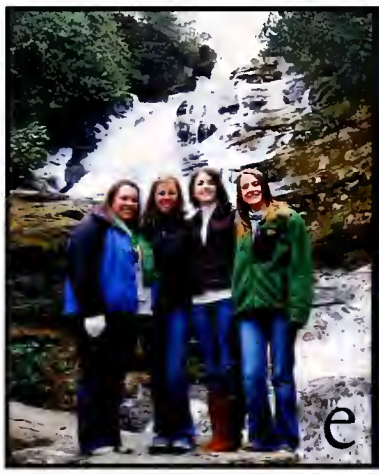
Seniors recall their favorite experiences while students at the college.

a. Kathleen Bowers and I are eating dinner in the great dining hall on my birthday in Oxford, England. In summer 2007, we both attended the British Studies program at St. John's College. This is just one of the many wonderful memories of my time spent here at Birmingham-Southern College. I just love how this photo caught us in mid laughter. *–Olivia Woodard*

b. I, along with fellow seniors Kristen Kerr, Elizabeth Molony, and Olivia Woodard, took a moment to document our recent accomplishment of hiking to the highest point in the Caribbean Sea. On Interim at Sea 2006, we hiked up La Soufiere, an active sulfur volcano that is located on Basse-Terre, Guadeloupe. I doubt any of us will ever forget the strong smell of sulfur, the rock formation with a striking resemblance to King Kong, or the force of the wind at the summit of the volcano, some 1467 meters above sea level! In the journey to the summit of the volcano and back down, we also hiked through a rain forest, where this photo was taken. We will never forget our numerous adventures on Interim at Sea!
–Natalie Ausbon

c. Elizabeth Molony, Natalie Ausborn, Olivia Woodard, Kaylee Osland, Tara Wohleber, Chandler Barrett, Nell Heflin, and Lisa Speake. This photo was taken our senior year Halloween after Halloween on the Hilltop. I will miss all of these girls next year so very much! *–Olivia Woodard*

d. Saturday with Coach Hyde and my softball girls at the lake. One of the best weekends ever. It was a warm, relaxing day full of tubing and laying out. Definitely one of my most enjoyable and memorable times at BSC. *–Anne Lawrence*



a Kerry Patterson and I love the trips to Sips and Strokes sponsored by BSC.

-Jessie Wagner

b Seniors Kerry Patterson and Sarah Kloewer visit a waterfall in Sky Valley Georgia.

-Jessie Wagner

c In this photo, I can be seen posing with Odessa Wolfolk, LL.D. '06, founder and chair emerita of the board of the Birmingham Civil Rights Institute, at a BCRI Oral History Project Symposium on February 13, 2008. Photo ops with President Barack Obama, First Lady Michelle Obama, Bill Clinton, Hillary Clinton, John Kerry, John Edwards, Howard Dean, Cory Booker, Martin Luther King, III, Andrew Young, and Forest Whitaker were some of my favorite highlights while at 'Southern. Campaigning for Obama's presidential bid and attending both the Democratic National Convention and Inauguration were also incredible opportunities. However, wearing white gloves and using acid-free folders to preserve the treasured collections, papers, and artifacts of the American Civil Rights Movement describes one of my most meaningful college experiences. I was selected to participate in the 2008-2009 Baker Donelson Internship Program at the Birmingham Civil Rights Institute, which is sponsored by the law firm of Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell & Berkowitz, PC. As one of three college students awarded this internship, I have been able to serve the community, develop a renewed appreciation of history, gain knowledge of museology, and work toward spreading the Institute's mission: "to promote civil and human rights worldwide through education." Since its establishment in 1992, the Institute operates as a bulwark of not only our nation's turbulent past, but also the progress we have made from the days of heightened racism and violence. My senior moment pays homage to the visionary leadership of Odessa Woolfolk, LL.D. '06, and her role in creating a place of reflection, understanding, and hope.

-Gary Crosby

d Seniors Meredith Wolfe and Jessie Wagner hang out during a fraternity themed party.

-Jessie Wagner

e Sarah Kloewer, Jessie Wagner, Kerry Patterson and Stephanie Elliot pose in front of the waterfall.

-Jessie Wagner

f My freshman year will be my most treasured year of living on the Hilltop. It was the beginning of a smooth transition into adulthood. I made friends that would carry me through my senior year of

college and years to come. Even though the Hilltop hasn't always been fun, my experience was what I made of it. From Division I Basketball to working with Counseling & Health Services to Athletics Dept. to Phonathon to Campus PoPo and all the other smiling faces and the few frowns I encountered. I really appreciate Birmingham-Southern College for adding to my foundation. I am proud to be a BSC Panther!

-Jamesia Jackson

g This picture was taken during a steel drum band party at Shirley Heights during Interim at Sea 2007. Communicating how the once-in-a-lifetime experience of Interim at Sea affected me is difficult. From snorkeling, to cranking up an enormous steel anchor, to hiking through a rainforest to a boiling lake, I have never had and will never have an experience that rivals this trip. I did not even understand fully until one precise moment. Driving away from our sailing vessel, the *Harvey Gamage*, at the end of our journey was one of the most bittersweet moments I have ever experienced. We were all excited about going home, but leaving behind the people responsible for changing our lives so rapidly and the vehicle through which this change occurred is almost surreal. In only three weeks, a totally foreign setting became home, an alien vernacular of nautical language became my own, and a group of random people, some not much more than strangers at the start, became my family through codependence, trust, respect, and a common bond as thick as blood—experiencing the awesome power of the sea together. I do not know that I will ever feel completely whole after having all of those things ripped away from me so abruptly. At times, I look back and wish the voyage had never ended. I know I will always reserve a special respect for the *Harvey Gamage*, its captain and crew, my shipmates, and that experience—for sailing. For these reasons, Interim at Sea was my favorite experience during my time at Birmingham-Southern College.

-David F. Miller

h Julie Johnson, Kerry Patterson, Stephanie Elliot, and I pose in front of a beautiful waterfall in Sky Valley Georgia.

-Jessie Wagner

i Pi Phi Seniors get together to celebrate a 21st birthday.

-Jessie Wagner

j John Bennett, Alex Cape, Richard Walsh, Ryan Falgout, Martin Crockett, David Hilgeman, William Loeb. Kappa Alpha Order, Rose Ball 2007, Nashville, TN.

-William Loeb

k Pi Phi Seniors are excited about their new members!

-Jessie Wagner

l Seniors Katie Clingan, Jessie Wagner, Lauren Kerwick, and Sara Kloewer pose for a picture.

--Jessie Wagner

m Seniors Ashley Russell, Jessie Wagner and Katie Clingan pose for a picture.

--Jessie Wagner

Senior Moments

Academics

Academic life on the Hilltop plays the most fundamental role in each student's life. As a liberal arts college, Birmingham-Southern encourages intellectual curiosity across a broad spectrum of disciplines. For this reason, much of a student's time will be spent outside of the subject in which they are majoring. Of the nearly dozen or so disciplines covered by this college, most students will have had at least one class in most of these disciplines, if not all. The liberal arts philosophy emphasizes the importance of well-round students rather than highly specialized and narrowly focused individuals.

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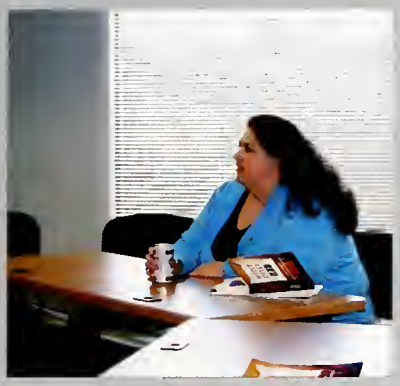

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Math & Computer Science

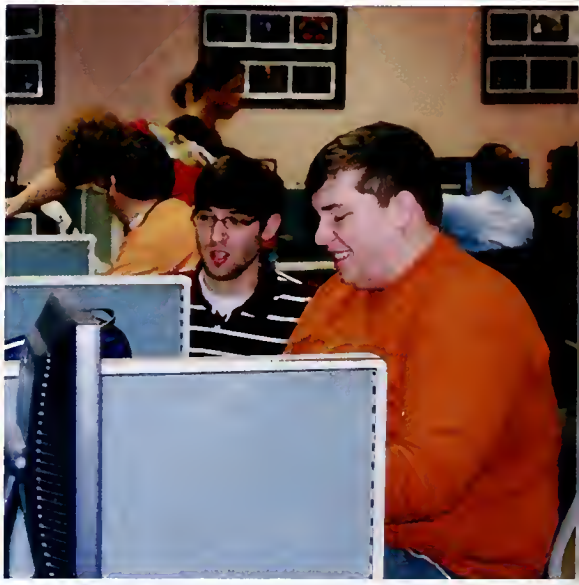
Math and computer science classes equip students with analytical skills and technical knowledge that are essential in this ever-evolving technological world. Math majors continually engage in problem-solving exercises and attempt to solve some complex problems through mathematical formulas and computations. The computer science major uses first-hand experience with computer systems and programs to prepare them for careers in technology. Both math and computer science are interrelated, and many courses in one will qualify a student for a minor in the other. The college also offers an interdisciplinary major that combines both math and computer science.

Dr. Spieler uses a visual drawing to explain a mathematical concept to his MA 455 class.

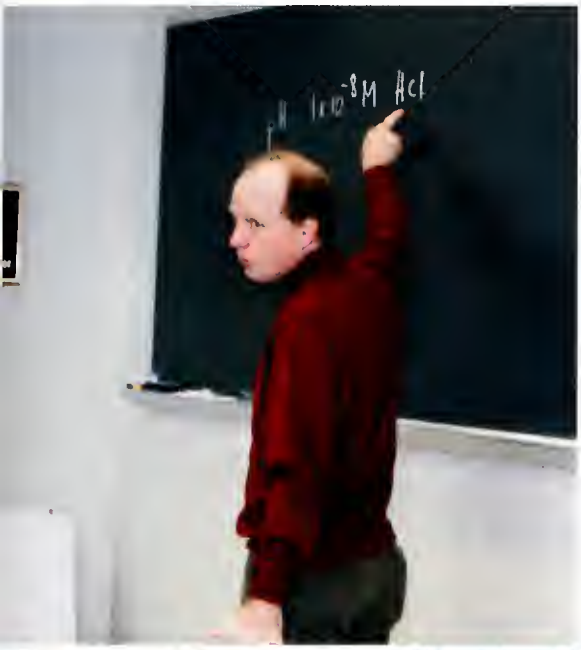
Students **Margaret Baggett** and **Nikita Dees** discuss homework before class.

Top two photos: Both **Tianran Geng** and **Nick Cravo** express their humor at trying to solve a mathematical problem with a faulty software.

CS 170 students work on an assignment in the computer lab.

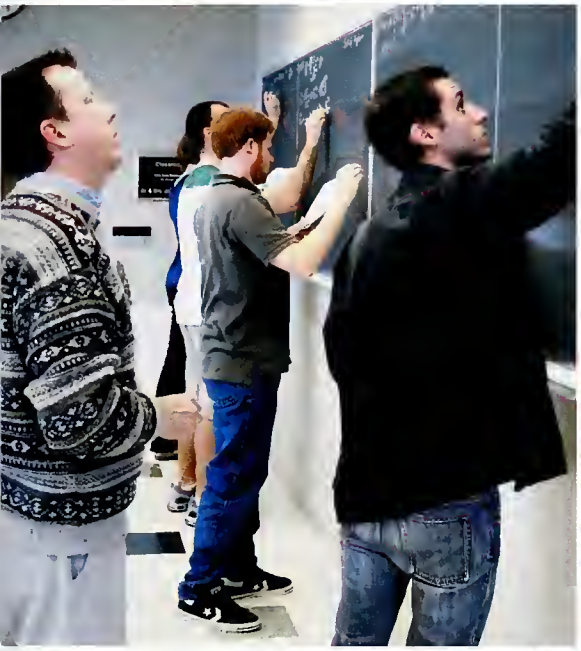


Vince Carpri and **Chip Manush** work on an assignment for their Introduction to Computing course.



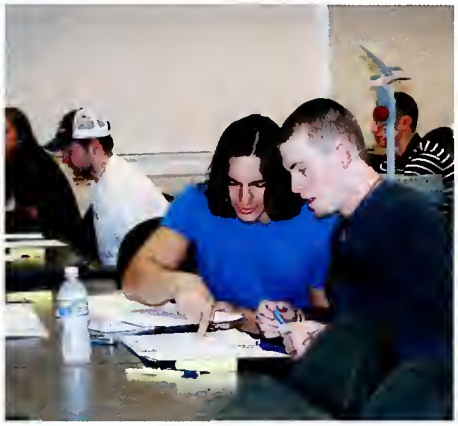
Science

The college offers students three science areas in which they can major: biology, chemistry, and physics. The biology department often draws students who are interested in pursing a medical degree following graduation. Biology majors can also choose to combine their degree with a psychology major or a pre-professional program, such as environmental studies or pre-nursing. Chemistry and physics majors can choose from two tracks, one that will lead them to a career in chemistry/physics and another that will lead them into the medical field or graduate studies. Both the study of chemistry and physics are related to mathematics, and the study of each often overlaps with the other two.



Dr. Scott Dorman explains a chemistry formula to his Quantitative Analysis class.

Dr. Duane Pontius observes as several students work out a physics problem in his Electricity and Magnetism course.



Faris Pacha and Josh Rabbit sidcuss their notes from the previous class.

Brian Perrin and **Serena Murphy** look over the reading assignment before their chemistry class.

Dr. Pamela Hanson uses the power point during her lecture to her BI 125 class.

Ben Jones and **Benjamin Roberts** take notes in their CH 304 class.

English

The English department provides students with the skills to write effectively and well, as well as with the ability to read literature analytically. As a liberal arts college, the English department is responsible for honing these skills in not only their majors, but the student body as a whole. Every student on campus is expected to be able to communicate ideas thoroughly and gracefully. In addition the writing component, English majors are required to explore a variety of different types of literature. Some courses focus on a single author in-depth, such as Chaucer or Shakespeare, while others are broader. In addition to the English major, a student can also minor in literature and creative writing.

Dr. Fred Ashe explains to his Contemporary Fiction class how many notes they can bring to the midterm with them.

Dr. Susan Hagen observes as **Emily Bertella** gives a presentation during her EH 385 course.

Christie Wenke, **Shandria Bell**, **Michael Byrne**, **Katie Vance**, and **Carson Land** listen to the professor in their EH 389 class.

Laura Burks, **Meg Lundberg**, and **Meredith Wiggins** engage in a class discussion of one of the readings for their EH 392 class.

Will Granger, **Laura Chaires**, **Kimmie Farris**, and **Laura Burks** listen to the professor lecture.

Dr. Tynes Cowan leads a class discussion.

History

According to the 2008-2009 Birmingham-Southern College Catalog, "The student who is conscious of the continuous process of change is better prepared for the conditions of change taking place today." The history department believes that one can best make an impact on the future by studying the past. Not only has the history department studied the history of numerous civilizations, they have also had the pleasure, along with the rest of the student body and the world, of witnessing history in the making. The election of the country's first African American president is an excellent example of the "change taking place today."

Dr. Randy Law lectures his Russian Civilization class from the podium.

Dr. Victoria Ott utilizes the chalkboard during her class.

Wright Johnson looks through his notes in his HI 245 class.

Dr. Victoria Ott describes a period of history affecting women in the United States.

Jeanie Sleadd looks over some reading before class.

David Vanlandingham listens intently during the HI 210 lecture.

Religion & Philosophy

Both religion and philosophy classes study the history of thought and beliefs regarding human existence and relationships. Both majors require that its students be insightful and analytical. Religion and philosophy majors study a broad spectrum of beliefs, and not simply the ones they adhere to. They are constantly encouraged to challenge their initial conceptions and move toward a greater understanding of the discipline as a whole, rather than their own small part.

Dr. Bill Myers takes roll at the beginning of his PL 252 class.

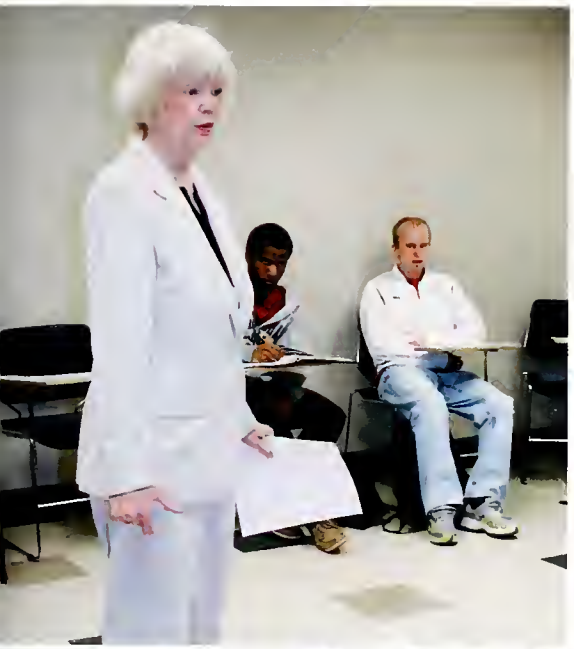
Dr. Amy Cattrill speaks about the Hebrew Bible in her RE 205 course.

Marc Parker and **Brendan Griffin** talk philosophically in their Existentialism class..

Dr. Larry Brasher teaches his RE 231, Religion and Society, course.

Dr. Steve Hendley engages in a discussion with students about one of their course readings.

Allison Schuver and **Katelyn Hancock** share reading material in their History of Western Philosophy course.



Foreign Languages

The study of another language is essential to creating a well-rounded student. For this reason, all students are required to have at least one year in a foreign language before graduating. In addition to this requirement, the college also offers three majors in foreign languages. A student can major in Spanish, French, or German. A minor is offered in Latin, and Greek courses are also available, both of which assist students who choose to have a minor in the Classics, a study of ancient Greece and Rome.

Dr. Judy Cox teaches in her Elementary German class.

A group of students learn about the participle in their Elementary Latin course.

Mark Hutter and **Zaba Emfinger** listen to Dr. Pezillo teach.

Morgan Rusby and **Melissa Fetterer** laugh during their German class.

Dr. Sam Pezzillo talks about the recent exams that he has graded.

Dr. Judy Cax speaks in German as **Tim Beenken**, **Webster Slater**, and **Brice Hunt** listen intently.

Art

The art department awards B.F.A. degrees in painting, photography, printmaking, and sculpture. A student can also earn a B.A. in studio art or art history. With the variety of majors and courses offered by the department, a budding artist is sure to find their niche within the artistic world. Through a combination of historical research and practical experience, students of the art department enter the real world fully prepared to produce innovative artwork and/or educate others about the art world.

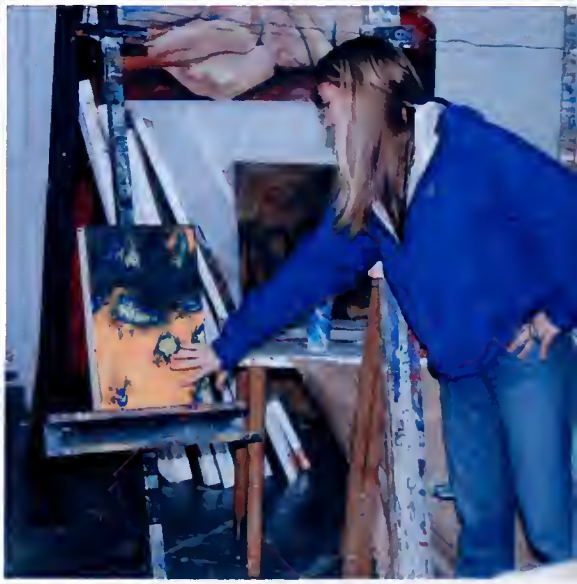
Dr. Jim Neel explains to his Sculpture students how to use plaster.

Dr. Bud Spivey offers constructive criticism of her painting to **Caitlin Dees**.

Susanna Miller, **Haley Mills**, and **Kristin Hendricks** work on their paintings outside of class.

Dr. Pamela Venz explains how to develop a roll of film to **Alex Howard**.

Dr. Steve Cole critiques students' homework assignments.



Kathryn Carroll critiques a classmate's painting in her Encaustic Painting class.

Performing Arts

Several departments cater to students who live for the stage. The dance department offers a rigorous curriculum for students wishing to dance professionally or teach dance to students. Dance students train through their coursework and also prepare for performances. The music department offers several degrees for students wishing to train professionally for a career in music. The B.A. in music can be earned through several concentrations: film music, music literature, music technology, music theory, performance, and song writing. The music department also offers a Master of Music degree for those seeking further professional training. Finally, the theatre arts department offers classes on a variety of subjects including performance, technical theatre, musical theatre, and stage design. Students of the theatre department also audition and prepare for three theatrical performances each year.

Vanessa Cazart and **Elvis Le** warm up together in their Basic Modern Dance class.

Dr. Michael Flowers and demonstrates a stage slap on a student.

Two students practice a dance in their DA 103 class.

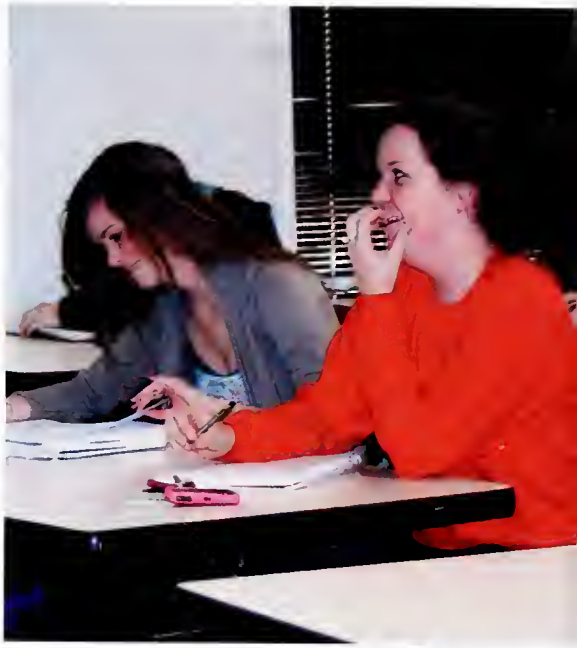
Mac Smith practices a should roll during his Stage Movement course.

Dr. James Cook plays a piece for his Literature and Language of Music class.

Kristen Farr and **Katie Leatherbury** read over a piece of music.

Behavioral & Social Sciences

Several departments fall under the heading of behavioral and social sciences: economics, psychology, political science, and sociology. The college requires that all students take one course in at least two of these disciplines, all of which address very different concerns. The economics department is concerned with equipping their students with the knowledge to move into public policy, finance, business, or education fields. Political science classes prepare students for graduate school, most likely law school, as well as careers in public service. Psychology and sociology both examine human behavior but from two different angles. Sociology students concentrate on the analysis of data, whereas psychology students are more concerned with the behavior itself. All of these behavioral and social sciences prove essential to understanding the world and the way that it operates, whether through human, economic, or political relationships.



Lillian Jones and **Brittany Cooper** take notes during their SO 102 class.

Bradley DuPree offers his opinion during his PS 493 class.

Dr. Paul Cleveland lectures to his EC 402 class.

Dr. Robert Slagter and **Dr. Heather Meggers-Wright** lecture in their joint PS 493/PY 305 class.

A group of students take notes in their SO 102 class.

Dr. Guy Dalto hands back graded assignments.

Business & Accounting

The business department at the college educates students on the business world, aiming to create "generalists" instead of "specialists," according to the 2008-2009 Birmingham-Southern College Catalog. Having received numerous awards and recognitions, the business department prides itself on the well-rounded professionals it creates. An offshoot of the business department, the accounting department trains individuals who will assist businesses in conducting their affairs. Both the accounting and the business departments work closely with other departments to gain a better understanding of technology, math, and the economy in relation to the business world.

Dr. Ron Stunda puts an accounting equation on the chalkboard.

Dr. Stephen Craft cracks a joke in his BA 201 course.

Dr. Ron Stunda lectures his AC 322 class.

Dr. Stephen Craft lectures from the front of the class.

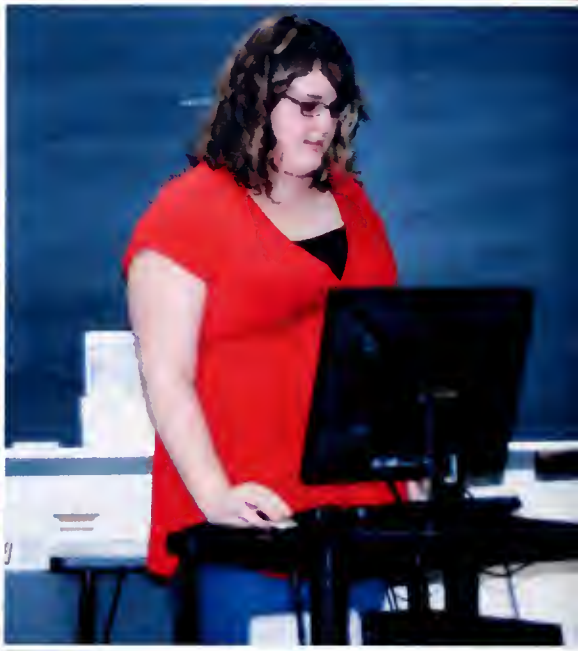
Dr. Stephen Craft moves around the room as he explains a business concept.

Dr. Ron Stunda hands back exams to his students.

Education

The education department offers a variety of curriculum depending on the student's interests in subject and grade level. A student can receive certification in elementary/collaborative education to teach kindergarten through sixth grade or special education. A student interested in teaching middle school or high school can receive certification in secondary education. A separate certificate is granted for students wishing to teach dance, music, or art across all levels. In addition to these certificates, a student can also earn an Education Services degree without earning a teaching certificate. This degree allows graduates to pursue careers related to education, such as counseling or higher education administration.

Dr. Clint Bruess hands back a graded assignment to a student.



A student gives a presentation in her Curriculum Design course.

Dr. Eileen Moore helps students **Tori Harris** and **Emily Faust** find schools to work with.

Dr. Clint Bruess talks with a few students before class.

Several students use the clicker technology available in classrooms in Harbert.

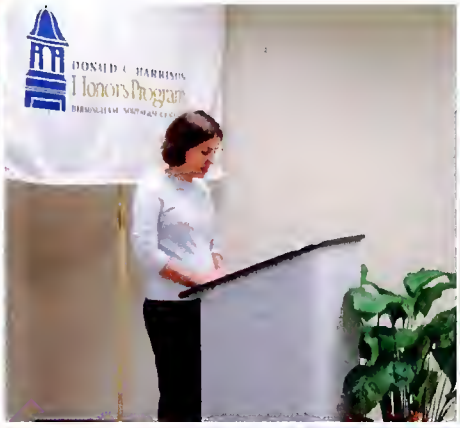
Dr. Kelly Russell goes over one type of curriculum design in her ED 210 class.

Honors Program

The Honors Program is a program that students can apply to be a part of in addition to their regular academic curriculum. The philosophy of the Honors Program is that students should receive a well-rounded education and that learning should be simply about learning, and not the grade on receives at the end of the semester. Honors Program students can take Honors courses across many different disciplines. In addition to taking five of these courses, Honors students must also complete an independent study of a subject that is outside of their area of expertise. Thus, these students learn a great deal about topics that are outside of their major. In addition to these requirements, Honors students also receive several perks, including small group access to speakers on campus and small stipends for independent projects.

Seniors **Carson Land** and **Forrest Boughner** give their Honors Presentations to complete their requirements.

Brenda Bailey, Dr. Judy Cox, and **Dr. Susan Hagen** prepare for a reception in the Honors Commons.



Junior **Susanna Miller** gives her Honors Presentations.

Junior **Kristin Hendricks** and seniors **Forrest Boughner** and **Natalie Ausborn** sit during a presentation at an Honors Conference.

Honors Program students meet with a speaker and have a small group discussion.

New members are inducted into the Honors Program.

Leadership Studies

Leadership Studies is an interdisciplinary program that works in conjunction with any academic major. In addition to taking the introductory course on Leadership Studies, students take any two other Leadership Studies designated courses, which can be found in many different disciplines, including history, religion, and music. A practicum, seminar, and public presentation are also required for a student to receive a Distinction in Leadership Studies upon graduation. Through the program, students approach the study of leadership from a political, historical, and cultural perspective.

Senior **Gary Crasby** gave his presentation titlec "Defending a Decision: Thurgood Marshall's Selectior of Jack Greenberg." Gary said, " The program pushec me to think critically about ways in which leadership theories can be applied to solving real world problems."

Kathleen Smith lets **Wesley Aiken** catch her during a team building exercise during the Leadership Studies retreat. Kathleen said, "I enjoy the way that Leadership Studies has given me a new, fascinating way to look at everything I do. It has also given me the opportunity to take classes that I would not have taken, meet people I would not have met, and take on leadership roles that I would have otherwise been unprepared for."

Senior **Channing Kennedy** gave her presentation for the program.

A group of leadership studies participants posed during the leadership studies retreat.

Miriam Smith, Shandria Wilson, Brad Robinson, and **Ben Miller** pose following the Hess Center Donor Dinner.

Junior **Caroline Culver** attempts to complete a problem solving task during the leadership studies retreat.

Urban & Environmental Studies

According to the 2008-2009 Birmingham-Southern College Catalog, "Students in this major will develop the skills necessary to understand the complex interrelationships between human welfare and environmental sustainability." A relatively new addition to the BSC curriculum, this program addresses the concerns of many global citizens that human activities are posing a threat to the environment and its ability to sustain life in the future. Students choosing to major in urban and environmental studies can choose from three concentrations: natural science, society and policy, or environmental education.

Students in the Interim 2009 Climate Change class posed for a picture at the Miller Steam Plant.

Students in Dr. Gibbon's ES 150 class took a field trip to Five Mile Creek.

Josh Thompson, **Ashlyn Rogers**, and **Carion Neal** stopped at the Hawk's View Overlook at Ruffner Mountain, while they were looking for amphibians for their Vertebrate Field Zoology class.

Zac Napier, **Michael Franklin**, **Trey Lawson**, and **Carian Neal** sein for fish at the Little Cahaba River near the Iron Bridge.

Josh Thompson, **Scott Shashy**, and **Thiaga Quieroz** seine for fish at Ebenezer Swamp at Montevallo.

UES students install solar panels on a home.

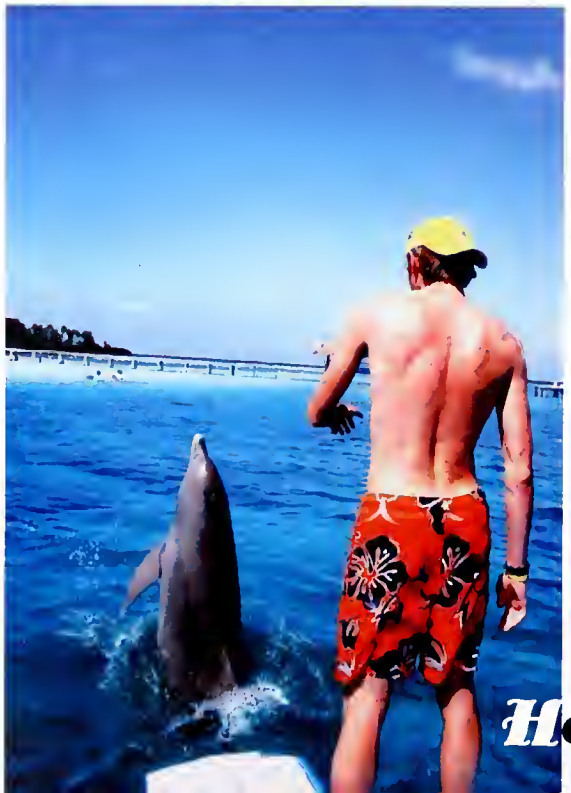
Interim

During the month of January, students take a break from their normal class semesters and engage in a single in-depth study. There are many courses offered on campus that involve an intense curriculum designed to cover a lot of information in a short amount of time. However, many students opt for a more adventurous way to spend this month by signing up for campus-sponsored trips in foreign locations. This year's interim took students to New York City, Rome, Czech Republic, Honduras, Florence, Venice, Mozambique, and many more places. These faculty-led trips focus on a variety of subjects including art, history, literature, environmental concerts, service-learning, etc. Students return with knowledge of and experience with the subject they were studying.

Although much of Interim at Sea is spent precisely there, at sea, students also get the opportunity to visit other countries and islands along the way. Students climbed to the top of a mountain to view the vast expanse of ocean behind them.

Students purchased vegetables and fruits during their Interim at Sea.

Students feed an elephant in Southeast Asia.



Southern Food & Exotic Places

BBQ Boys

Thailand

Mozambique

Honduras

San Francisco

Interim at Sea

Across the land and sea

Argentina, San Francisca, Interim at Sea.

Argentina

Sports

Sports at Birmingham-Southern College have a much different appearance than they did just a few years ago. As the college enters its third season as a Division III team, there are many changes to the sports program noticeable to all. During this season, the new football stadium is unveiled to the public and the student body participates in a football homecoming full of student, as well as alumni, activities. In addition to these changes, the campus also welcomes new sports, such as men's and women's lacrosse, which will engage in their first season. As the campus and the student body expands, the sports program follows in suit.

Men's Soccer

The men's soccer team fought hard this season to prove their determination to win. Under the direction of Coach Preston Goldfarb, the men's soccer team trained many new underclassmen in the skills of the game. With only a handful of seniors and juniors on the team, this year was about creating a team atmosphere with the new team members.

Roster:
1 Shachar Hovan
2 Andrew Shelton
3 Drew Little
4 Carter McLean
5 Nick Pihakis
6 Garner Shivers
7 Michael Alfano
8 Brice Hunt
9 Sean Head
10 Scott Shelton
11 Andrew Stein
12 Stephen Rumble
13 Tyler Evans
15 Drew Hemeter
16 Timothy Tincher
18 Daniel Jackson
20 Kenan LeParc
24 Alan Eckler
27 Hal Halbert

Coach Preston Goldfarb
Assistant Coach Greg Vinson

Scott Shelton moves the soccer ball toward the opponent's goal.

Tyler Evans blocks his opponent's attempt to score a goal.

The men's soccer team gathers together to discuss strategy and encourage each other for the upcoming game.

Tyler Evans uses his head to move the ball away from his opponent.

Women's Soccer

The women's soccer team played a great season, with a record of 12 wins over 6 losses. The team consisted of mostly freshmen, whose enthusiasm added a great deal of motivation to the team to bring home more wins.

Roster:
00 Amber Hernandez
1 Ruth Hanks
5 Alicia Plotky
6 Emmy Hollis
9 Patricia George
11 Linda Amaya
13 Serena Murphy
14 Jillian Thiebert
17 Lydia Rice
18 Jadi Cochran
21 Dani Mayer
22 Sara Menton
23 Lauren Metzger
25 Lauren Cage

Student Manager Haley Jones
Student Manager Brit La Palm

Head Coach Benji Walton
Assistant Coach Crystal Royall
Volunteer Assistant Coach Christy Dettmer

Alicia Plotky guards her opponent.

Alicia Plotky kicks the ball down the field.

Lauren Metzger moves the ball toward the opponent's goal.

Members of the women's soccer team congratulate each other on a good game.

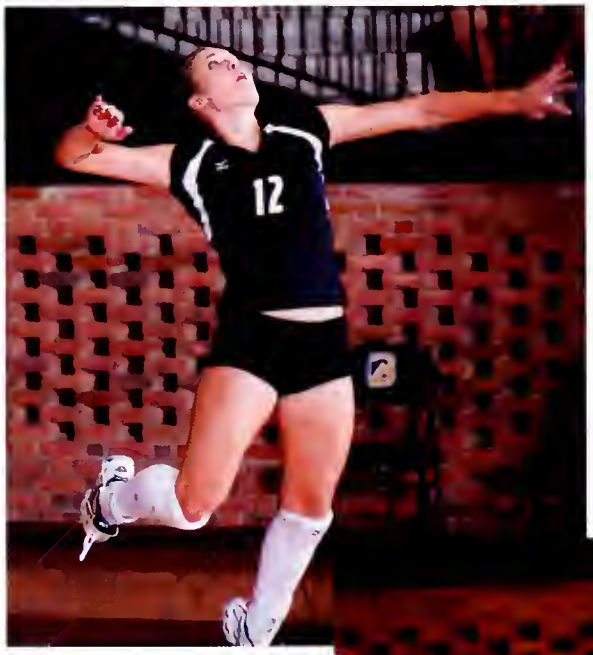
Volleyball

The volleyball team pulled off a fantastic season, with a record of 28 wins and only 8 losses. Made up almost entirely of upperclassmen, the volleyball team demonstrated their team spirit and ability to work well with each other. In addition to winning many games, the volleyball team and its members also won several honors during the 2008-2009 season.

Roster:
1 Alex Norten
2 Natasha Stark
3 Haley Johnson
4 Jennifer McKannan
5 Hope Harris
6 Caitlin Dees
7 Milica Stojanovic
8 Krisanne Calvert
10 Morgan Anderson
11 Casey Demas
12 Sarah Harris
13 Michelle Maciejewski
15 Christine Denning

Head Valleyball Coach April Fricke
Assistant Coach Kyndall Waters

The volleyball team celebrates a good game.



Sarah Horris prepares to hit the ball across the net.

Milica Stojanovic waits on her opponent's next move.

Alex Norten hits the ball toward her opponent.

Football

Roster:
2 Trae Strain
4 Raoul Richardson
5 Allen Khatib
6 Chris Rodgriguez
7 Tay Walker
8 Zac Napier
10 Chandler Bares
11 Joe Thigpen
12 Drew Jackson
13 Chase Coker
14 Ridge Read
15 Chris Mauck
16 Dion Watts
17 Michael Franklin
18 Justin Bailey
19 Mitch Swanson
21 David Langston
22 Austin Tunnell
23 Jonathan Williams
24 Dex Grafton
25 Walter Arrington
26 Stephen Wilson
27 Eric Nordgren
28 Tyler Warley
29 Micah Baker
30 Kyle Sebestyen
31 Brad Stockdale
32 Wil Truelove
33 Adam West
34 Jamie Womack
35 Victor Allen
36 Ryan Carelson
37 Evan Wilson
39 Dustin Massey
40 Matt Laird
41 Chase Dickinson
42 David Kelley
44 Matt Parker
45 Ross Cotney
46 Christian Hunt
47 Doo Kyung Kim
48 Jordan Treimer
49 Dan Middleton
50 Daniel Whitecage
51 Justin Ray
52 Mike Stonewall
53 Orin Olds
54 Sam Bratt
55 Teddy Morris
58 John Aaron Davis
59 Bobby Gray
60 John Michael Falligant
61 Corey Coleman
62 Ryan Creel
63 Mitch Lee
65 Baron Steele
66 Jonathan Jones
67 Corey Wallace
71 Vontavius Allen
72 Sam Pendergrass
74 Cameron Horton
79 Lee Hopf
81 Raymond Josof
83 Brooks Perry
85 Jacob Coley
86 Luke Chapman
87 Jack East
88 Leonard DuBuisson
90 Darius Dalton
91 J.E.B. Bunch
92 John Bailey
93 Roderic Adams
94 Bryan Jackson
96 Austen George
98 Patrick Thomas
99 Jeremy Jones

Head Coach Eddie Garfinkle
Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks Joel Williams
Assistant Coach/Secondary Dyer Carlisle
Assistant Coach/Defensive Line Dwayne Curry
Assistant Coach/Offensive Line Don Dover
Assistant Coach/Receivers Deke Herrin
Assistant Coach/Linebackers Joe Judge
Volunteer Assistant Coach/Running Backs Gerald Gann
Volunteer Assistant Coach/Defensive Backs Tim Sanders

Cross Country

The Cross Country Team consists of both men and women. They compete in competitions all across the south in many categories. Some members specialize in running long-distance, others in sprints. Some hurdle obstacles, while other can throw for long distances. Whatever the talent, they combine to create a competitive BSC Cross Country team.

Men's Roster:
Forrest Boughner
Alex Darden
William Gurley
Jack Heath
Reed Kramer
Justin Leach
Blake McDaniel
Christion Strevy
Richord Tsoo
James Watters

Women's Roster:
Karoline Briggs
Katelyn Corroll
Coitlin Hodges
Emily Moore
Katie Sack
Hannoh Scott
Terza Weston
Mary Elaine Williamson
Moggie Zernick

Head Coach Lars Porter
Assistant Coach Kenneth Cox
Student Assistant Alex Cape
Student Assistant Jack DoSilva

A member of the Cross Country team throws a steak.

Karoline Briggs completes her run.

Reed Kramer jumps over an obstacle.

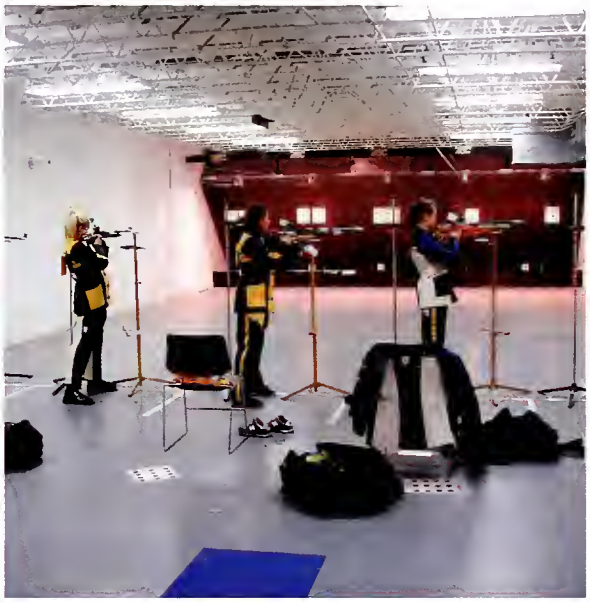
A member of the Cross Country team prepares to sprint.

Rifle Team

The women's Rifle Team is headed by none other than BSC Police Chief Randy Youngblood. The young women who comprise the Rifle Team learn the skills of operating a rifle and hitting a target. They compete with other Rifle Teams all across the southeast. This year, the women's Rifle Team, which consisted of several first-time members, ranked well in competitions.

Roster:
Ginny Boehme
Nikita Dees
Baylee Dodson
Susanne Sturdivant
Janelle West
Diana Wilmoth
Coach Randy Youngblood
Manager Austin Cranford

Janelle West lines up her rifle with the target.



The Rifle Team lines up to shoot at targets.

Diana Wilmoth prepares to shoot at the target.

Ginny Boehme adjusts her rifle.

Men's Golf

The men's golf team is mixed with both underclassmen and upperclassmen. The team competed in competitions across the country and ranked well.

Matthew Barnes

Ryan Falgout

Keith Gray

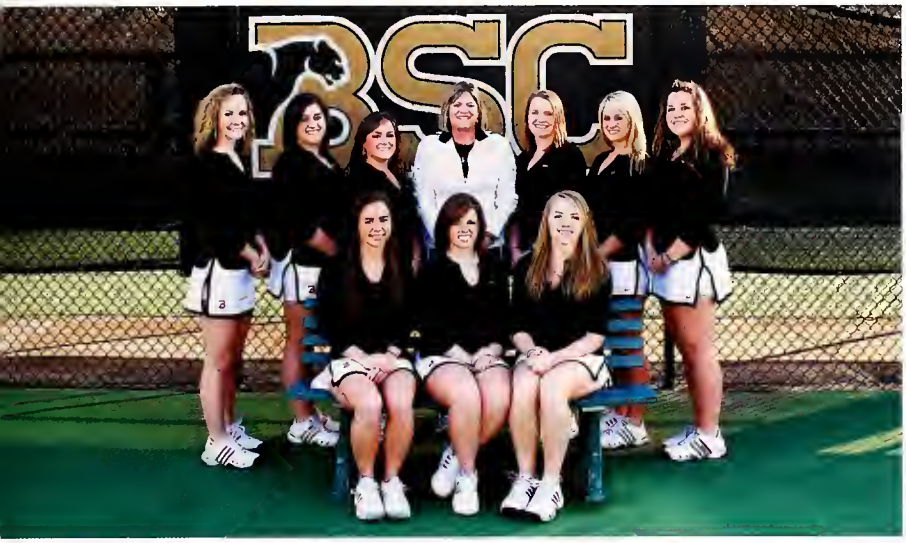
Matt Kelly

Matt Laughridge

Josh Rabbit

Thomas Ray

Miller Stephens



Women's Golf

The women's golf team, comprised mostly of freshmen, set out to prove their skills this past year. They competed against teams from across the country and ranked high in competitions.

Gaukhar Amandossova

Kelley Burgess

Jennifer Commander

Kelsey Farrell

Jordan Hardy

Brittany Henderson

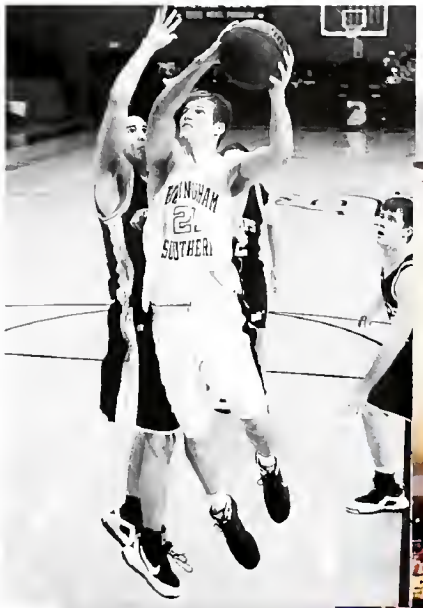
Sam Keller

Ashley Lovell

Bri Trail

Men's Basketball

Second-year head coach, Mitch Cole, and his two assistant coaches look forward to this season, which follows an over 500 season with a record of 13-12. This year looks particularly promising; according to Cole, these players will provide the depth and experience they lacked last season. With each position, guard or post, exceptionally covered, Cole anticipates a championship-level of play.



Left: **Mark Messenger** made a lay-up.
Right: **Roger Williams** went for a slam-dunk.

Top: Guard **Isiah Daaty** focused on defense.
Bottom: **Wheeler Flemming** held onto the ball.

Roger Williams, Isiah Daaty, Patrick Price, Aaron Parr, Mitch Cole (Head Coach), Nathan West, Tyler Marsh, Tyler Cerone, Cameron Terry, Janathan Vines (Assistant Coach), Wheeler Flemming, Mark Messenger, Michael Rebarchak, Mikey Kline, Daminic Wicher, Chris Tidwell, Austin Thames, Phillip Rodgers, Richard Lyon (Student Assistant), and Chris Graves (Assistant Coach).

Women's Basketball

The women's team comes off a remarkable 18-7 record with 7 returnees, 3 of which are seniors. Last year's squad came short of a 20 win season, but this year is expected to surpass the last in victories. Although freshmen, several players are asked to fulfill significant roles on the team.

Top: **Elyse Clay** tried to score for the team.
Bottom: **Caurtney Gibson** surveyed the court.

Left: **Danielle Harbor** dribbled the ball down the court.
Right: Forward **Elyse Clay** took aim at the basket.

Elyse Clay, Fredreka Burrell, Danielle Harbor, Sam Davidson, Jamie Key, Sandra Graben, Katelyn Wilson, Courtney Gibson, Amanda Dean, Haley Stracener, Manecia Miller, C.J. Drake, Ashton Spurgin, Erin Jackson, and Laura Kneiss.

Baseball

This year's baseball team is made up almost entirely of sophomores and freshmen. Despite being a new team, the baseball team finished out the season well, with a record of 28 wins over 11 losses.

Head Coach Jan Weisberg
Assistant Coach Drew Briese
Assistant Coach Tyler Shraut

Roster:
1 Mark Lawrey
2 Jacob Plagens
3 Brandon Ricca
4 Drew Leachman
5 JD Hulse
6 Jan Walker
9 Clay Janes
10 Bryan Higginbotham
11 Darby Weppner
12 Dean Guidry
14 Zach Dean
15 Alex Goodsell
16 Sam Hill
17 Anthony Bianchi
18 Blake Walley
19 Alex Head
20 Jeffrey Vincent
21 Josh Whitaker
22 John Naramore
23 Rand Hutchison
24 Clay Malcolm
25 Michael McCalib
26 Jesse Meier
27 Hardy Reynolds
28 David Chabucas
30 Trey Brown
31 Patrick Martin
32 Patrick Kimmons
34 Drew Crafton
36 Frank Mullens
37 Richard Vance
41 Cody Overall
43 Jordan Burchett
44 Brooks Webb

A baseball team member prepares to hit the ball.

A baseball team member throws the ball to another team member.

The catcher returns the ball to the pitcher.

The pitcher pitches the ball across the mound.

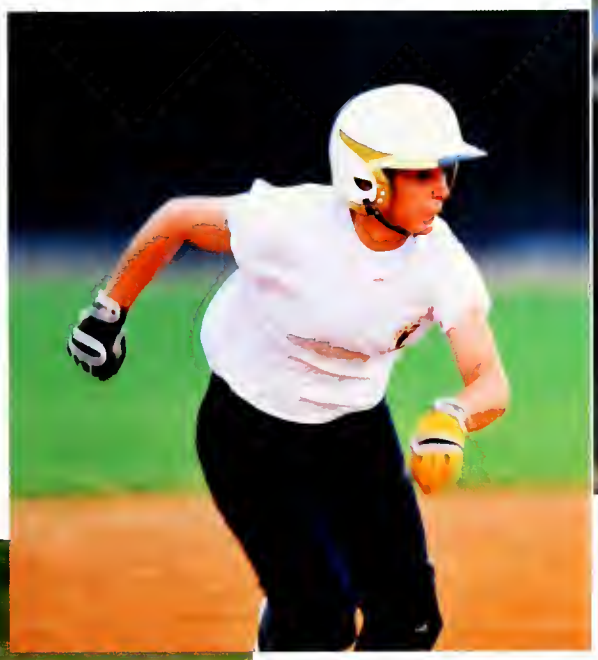
Softball

The softball team completed the season with a great record of 32 wins over 5 losses, winning all but one of their home games. This season marked a moment in history, with the highest ranked season at Birmingham-Southern College.

Roster:
1 Tori Harris
4 Melissa Muehlenfeld
5 Emily Merritt
6 Kayla Backlund
8 Ranni Ferris
10 Ashley Bice
11 Jena Franks
12 Erin Glover
16 Beth Lefler
18 Melissa Revis
22 Brittany Vintson

Head Coach Stephanie VanBrakle
Assistant Coach Mandy Burford

A softball team member swings at the ball.



A softball team member tries to steal a base.

The softball team gathers together to determine a game plan.

A softball team member prepares for her turn to bat.

Men's Lacrosse

The men's lacrosse team embarked on their first season on the hilltop this year. Despite being a new sport to the campus and being comprised entirely of freshmen with just one exception, the men's lacrosse team won many of their games.

Roster:
1 Eli Burnham
2 Nathan DeRosa
3 D.J. Ward
4 Christopher Buechele
6 Chris Clarke
7 David Fogg
8 Parker Samuel
9 Ashkan Isfahani
11 Ryan Croft
12 Lucas Strickland
14 Hank Elwood
15 Ben Schaefer
18 Dylan Krupa
20 Cameron Overtan
21 Ben Jacob
22 Jay Sims
23 Will Tullock
24 Cameron Hyde
25 Jacob McPherson
31 Andrew Nielsen
33 David Litton
34 Steven Weaver
35 Max DeLap
44 Tripp Windham

Head Coach Andy Bonasera
Assistant Coach Bo Ingalsbe

Chris Clarke runs down the field.

A lacrosse team member runs after the ball.

A lacrosse team member faces off his opponent.

Women's Lacrosse

The women's lacrosse team played their first season this year. Although made up entirely of freshmen and sophomores, the women's lacrosse team played a good season, winning the majority of home games.

Roster:
4 Judy Montalvo
8 Alexis Sweda
11 Katelyn Carroll
12 Chelsea Van Voorhis
13 Lyndsay Griffin
14 Katie Gregory
17 Brit La Polm
18 Bryttany Uy
21 Amber Hernandez
25 Ashley Johnson
26 Cynthia Andrews
32 Katie Bates

Head Coach Emily Thomas
Assistant Coach Jackie McGarrigle

A women's lacrosse team member catches the ball.

Katie Bates guards her team's net.

Alexis Sweda tries to score on her opponent.

Men's Tennis

The men's tennis team won a majority of their matches, finishing the season 12-4. In addition their winning streak, the tennis team welcomed many new freshmen members on this year's team.

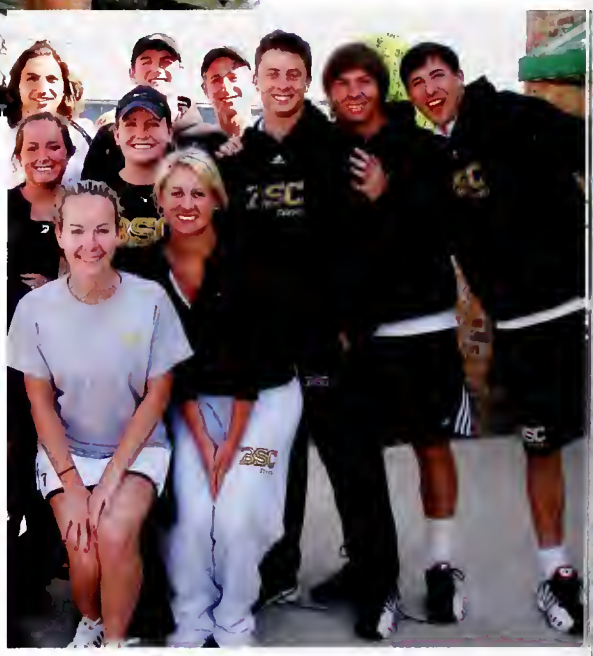
Will Boucek
Martin Crockett
Stefano Daneri
John Crawford Freeman
Will Freeman
Andrew Gronberry
Michael Locondro
Matt Mobry
Cory McGee
Faris Pacha
Richard Pearlman
Cloyton Simons
Honlon Walsh
John Zukley

Head Coach Paul Rosner

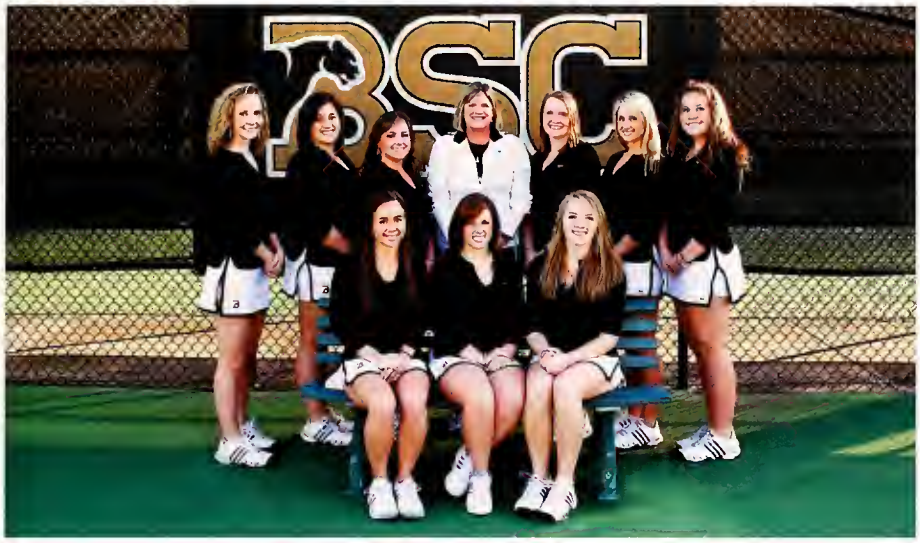
The men and women's tennis teams pose for a fun photo while on a tennis trip.

Heach Coach **Paul Rosner** observes the team during a match.

The men's tennis team takes a break in between matches.



Members of the men's tennis team pose with members of the girl's tennis team.



Women's Tennis

The women's tennis team had a majority of returners on the team and pulled off a great season, winning 12 matches and losing only 2. Through teamwork and dedication, the women's tennis team proved that it could have a nearly undefeated season.

Roster:
Carly Adams
Janie Asseff
Kathryn Carroll
Brittany Cooper
Katherine Jackson
Rachal Jones
Kate Lambert
Lauren Russell
Angee Stevens

Head Coach Ann Dielen

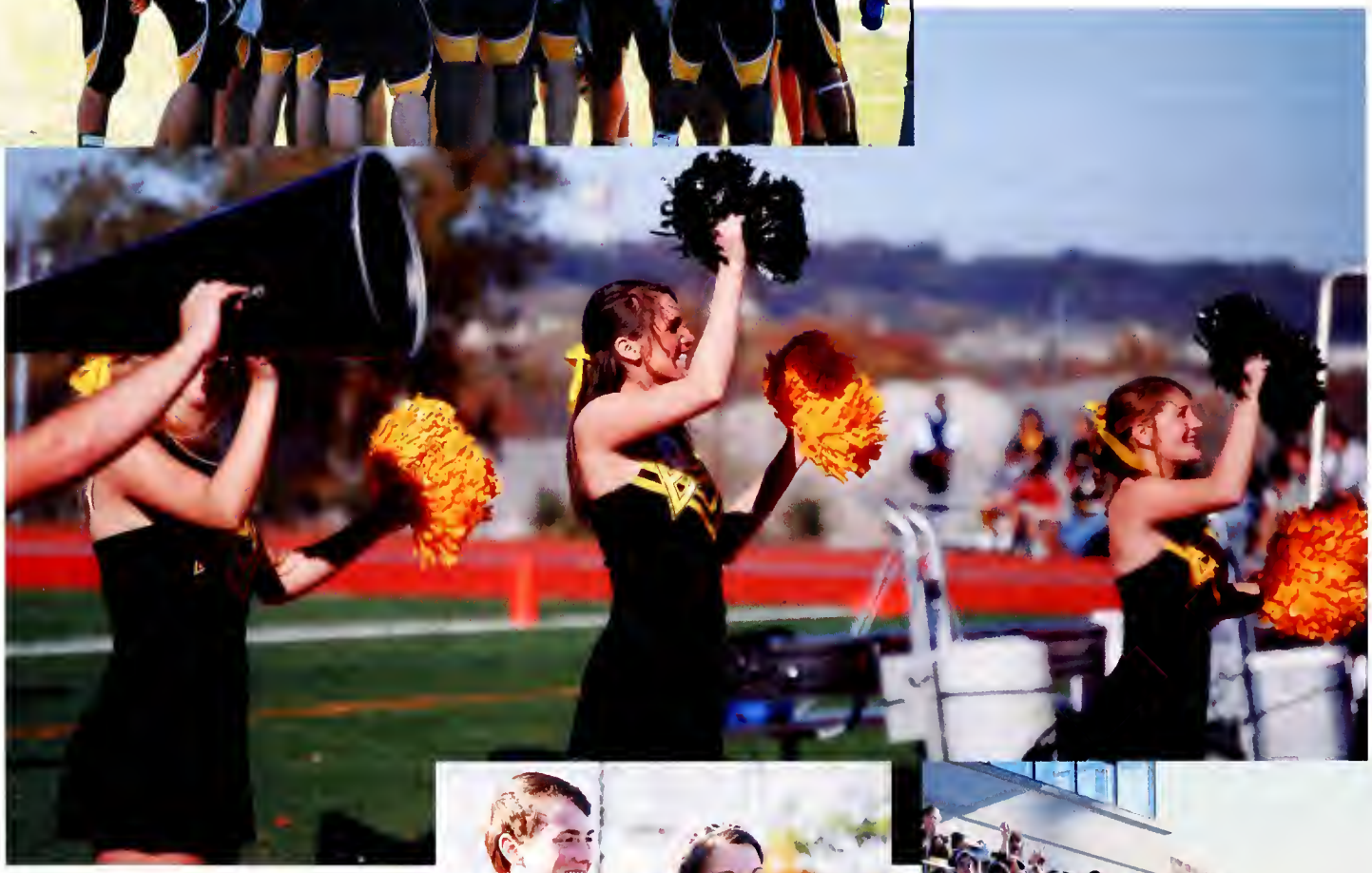
Two teammates shake hands following a match.

Kate Lambert and **Lauren Russell** take a rest between matches.

The tennis team gathers around Head Coach Ann Dielen to discuss their performances in that day's matches.

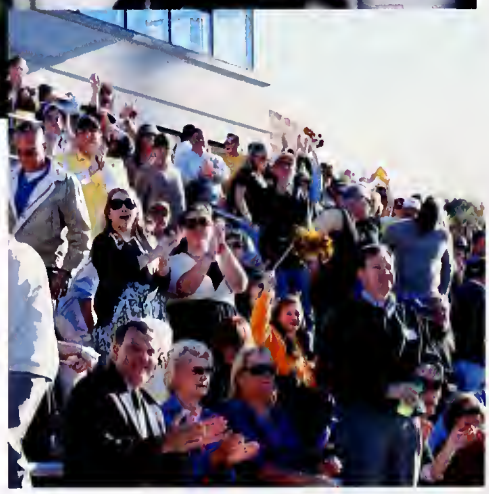
Members of the women's tennis team pose for a picture while on an out of town tennis trip.

The football team gathered up to discuss their strategy for the game against Sewanee. Their strategy proved successful as they later won by 49-0.



The BSC cheerleaders cheered on the team from the sidelines.

Seniors **William Moore** and **Meagan Langford** were crowned Homecoming King and Queen.



Students, family members, alumni, faculty, and staff all showed up to fill the new stadium.

Homecoming

Birmingham-Southern College held its first football homecoming festivities this year. The new stadium, which was revealed to the public on the day of Homecoming, allowed for a packed crowd of BSC panthers to support the team. In addition to the game, the homecoming lineup included a powder puff football game, pep rally, bonfire, and shrimp boil. Students, alumni, and faculty all came to these events sporting their BSC colors and school spirit.

Far Above: Quarterback **Joe Thigpen** searched the field for someone to throw the ball to.

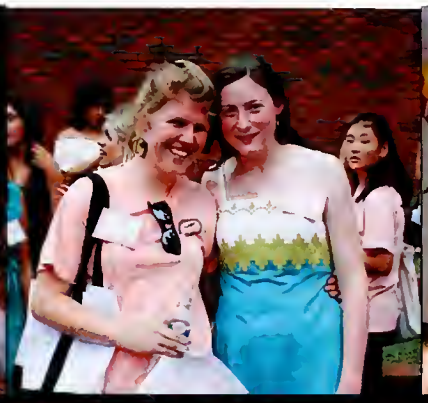
Several male students wore their paint to spell out, "GO PANTHERS."

The panther mascot attended the game and encouraged the crowd to make some noise.

Homecoming banners were hung in the atrium for a contest of the most creative.

Greeks

Greek organizations offer a social network and community for the student body. Nearly half of the student body participates in Greek life. Not only do Greek organizations offer real-world benefits, such as connections to Greek alumnus across the world, they also provide a social base for many students on campus. They promote community ideals among their group, and they participate in group activities, such as mixers, dances, and philanthropies. With a dozen different Greek organizations to choose from, Greek life on a whole is able to appeal to a vareity of different students on campus.



Above left: Members of Chi Omega show the benefit of the last night of Recruitment.

Above: Ashley Hudson, a possible new member, is now be served with her Pha Gamma: Corinna Ray

Left: Possible new members gather in the Sorority Amphitheater while waiting for their Pha Gamma to read them to their sorority house parties.

Sorority Recruitment is an exciting time in the life of many BSC students. The current members of each sorority begin planning events to entertain and excite freshman girls going through recruitment. Each of the freshman girls begins recruitment in the fall, but their own preparation for this event begins months earlier. The excitement builds over thoughts of new friends and new dresses for the events to come. The girls are taken through Icebreakers, Skits, and finally, Preferential Night. On the last night, the girls visit as many as three houses. At the end of the night, they rank those visits and decide their number one choice.

Above: Freshman girls Eli Palmer and Lora Parker [illegible]

Left: [illegible]

Let the Good Times Roll

Recruitment

Sisters!

Pure Excitement

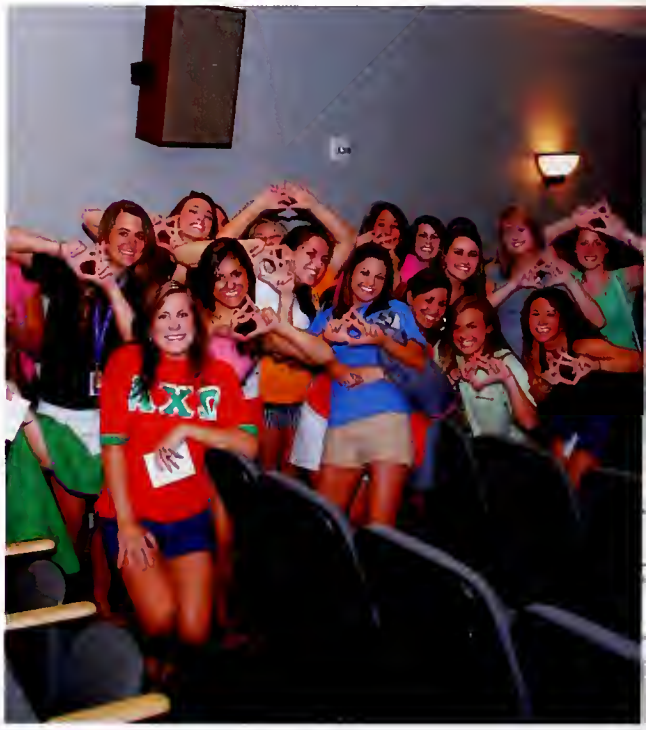
Kayla Gronemeyer

Pi Phi Arrows

Getting a Bid

Carey de Rahan

Baby Pandas



Women's Bid Day

Faces of Pi Phi

Only a Zeta Wears the Crown

Chi Omega Face Paint

Jordan Jackson

Making Memories

Sorority Bid Day is the end of the recruitment process. It is the celebration of the women who go through recruitment and receive a bid from a sorority. They are joined by the Rho Gammas, who soon reveal their own sorority from which they had previously disaffiliated during the recruitment process. The new members open up their bid cards, and chaos ensues. The girls then move to the Sorority Amphitheater, only to find their sisters waiting there for them with signs, flowers, balloons, and a smile.

Sara Bawen, a new member of Alpha Omicron Pi, receives her sign and rose from her new sisters. Sara said after the event, "By far my favorite part of Bid Day and especially rush was walking into the amphitheater where all of the AOIIs were waiting for us, screaming ecstatically and waiting to give us big hugs."

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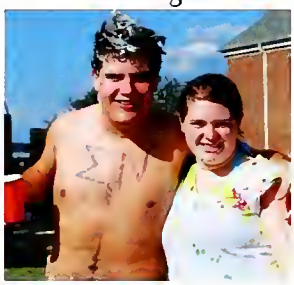
Welcome

Fraternity Recruiment

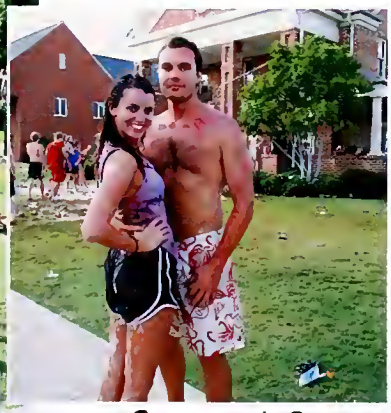
Fraternity Recruitment is an annual event where interested male students get to explore the values of each campus fraternity. The recruitment process takes place during a series of parties were potential new members tour the fraternity houses and get to meet the members by conversing in small groups for formal recruitment. For a relaxed setting, each house usually has a cookout and various activites that help the men continue to get to know each other.

Let's Get This Party Started



Sigma Nu

New Members



New Sisters

Fun and Games

IFC Block Party

Peace Out

Brotherly Love

Starry-Eyed

Bubble Mania

Men's Bid Day involves bubbles, slip'n'slides, and the occasional beverage of choice. It is on this day that Birmingham-Southern students take pride in wearing clothes that will be disposed of the next morning. The celebration begins before sunrise, and does not end until sunrise of the next day. It is by these first rays of light that fraternity pledges find their first perk of brotherhood: morning cleanup.

Leslie Dupre, a new student, laughs out loud during the fun of the IFC Black Party. Leslie said, "Although I am not in a sorority, Men's Bid Day was a fun experience and a great way to start off Greek life at BSC!"

Greek Week

Greek Week is a time for fun and competition among the Greek organizations. Each day, the Greek organizations compete in a different activity. As Greeks struggle to come out of the week on top, the entire campus is filled with friendly competition.

Paige Firnberg, **Jessie Wagner**, and **Morgan Eads** of Pi Beta Phi prepare to play a good, old-fashioned game of Tug-of-War.

The girls of Kappa Delta enjoy bonding time during the Greek Week games.

Alpha Chi Omega

Alpha Omega Chapter

Top Right: A few of the Alpha Chi sisters pose for a photo on Halloween night.

Right: The girls welcome their new sisters after recruitment.

Below Right: The new pledge class poses before the "Secs and Execs" mixer.

Bottom Right: The Alpha Chi girls gather together to support BSC football.

Below: Some of the sisters pose in their Halloween costumes.

A few of the freshmen pose as Hippies before a mixer.

Rebecca Broussard and **Kim Zachow** pose with their family after the big/little reveal.

Ashley Ann Alex and **Laura Moran** pause for a photo with other AOPi sisters during a BSC football game.

Alpha Omicron Pi

Tau Delta Chapter

The Tau Delta chapter of Alpha Omicron Pi prides itself on promoting friendship for a lifetime while inspiring academic excellence and lifelong learning. Having a well-rounded and diverse group of young women who work together and develop leadership skills through service to the sorority and community is their goal.

Above: Senior Anna BeShears coaches her sisters during an intramural game.

Left: The baby pandas gather for a group photo outside the AOPi house.

Chi Omega

Omicron Lambda Chapter

Joanna Glaw and **Hillary Beard** pose with their family after the big/little reveal.

Liz McCay and **Megan Snider** pose with other Chi O members before an 80s themed mixer.

Above and Below: Chi O members cheer on their sister during intramural games.

The Chi Omega story at BSC began when, in the late 1980s, the staff at our school saw a need for an organization on campus with a commitment to community service, diversity among its members, and strong academics. The Omicron Lambda chapter is very proud to have had the highest overall GPA of all BSC sororities nine of the past ten semesters, including the Fall Term 2008. They are proud to recognize The Make-A-Wish Foundation as their national philanthropy. Chi O Kick-off, the main philanthropy event, is held each fall, and always draws a crowd.

The Alpha Upsilon Chapter of Kappa Delta has been present on Birmingham Southern's campus since 1930. The chapter prides itself on its emphasis on sisterhood. Their campus involvement shows what a well-rounded group of individuals its chapter has. They work with St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital for their philanthropic activities.

A few of the new recruits pose for a photo.

Some of the sisters gather for a photo during an intramural game.

KD sisters share some bonding time by going on a hike.

The Kappa Delta girls get pumped for the fraternity bid day.

KAPPA DELTA

ALPHA UPSILON CHAPTER

[illegible] Anna Scott [illegible] Pi Phi. "We [illegible] and pink," Anna said.

Right: Pi Phi held an [illegible] tournament to raise funds for their philanthropy. Freshman Caitlin Schmidt said, "I [illegible] for getting to work with my [illegible] for a good cause."

Pi Beta Phi

Alabama Alpha Chapter

Pi Beta Phi has been on Birmingham-Southern's campus since 1928. The Alabama Alpha chapter for the sorority strongly encourages its members to strive to achieve their utmost potential. At BSC, the sisters of Pi Beta Phi are active not only in the Greek community, but also in the college community. Their many philanthropic activities include the emphasis on the importance of children's literacy.

[illegible] Amy Banks [illegible]

[illegible] Mary McDaniel [illegible]

A Zeta family poses for a photo during the initiaion ceremony.

Zeta Tau Alpha

Alpha Nu Chapter

Susan Fant and **Stephanie Gossett** represent ZTA at their philanthropy, Susan G. Komen "Race for the Cure."

Zeta members visit the pumpkin patch in Hayden, AL.

The new "littles" of a Zeta family receive gifts during the initiation process.

Alpha Tau Omega

Beta Beta Chapter

"To bind men together in a brotherhood based upon eternal and immutable principles, with a bond as strong as right itself and as lasting as humanity; to know no North, no South, no East, no West but to know man as man, to teach that true men the world over should stand together and contend for supremacy of good over evil; to teach, not politics, but morals; to foster, not partisanship, but the recognition of true merit wherever found; to have no narrower limits within which to work together for the elevation of man than the outlines of the world: These were the thoughts and hopes uppermost in the minds of the founders of the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity."

-Otis Allan Glazebrook, 1880

KAPPA ALPHA ORDER

PHI CHAPTER

The forbearing use of power does not only form a touchstone, but the manner in which an individual enjoys certain advantages over others is a test of a TRUE GENTLEMAN.

The power which the strong have over the weak, the employer over the employed, the educated over the unlettered, the experienced over the confiding, even the clever over the silly — the forbearing or inoffensive use of all this POWER OR AUTHORITY, or a total abstinence from it when the case admits it, will show the gentleman in a plain light.

The gentleman does not needlessly and unnecessarily remind an offender of a wrong he may have committed against him. He cannot only forgive, HE CAN FORGET; and he strives for that nobleness of self and MILDNESS OF CHARACTER which impart sufficient strength to let the past be but the past. A true man of honor feels humbled when he cannot help humbling others.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon

Alabama Iota Chapter

"The **True Gentleman** is the man whose conduct proceeds from good will and an acute sense of propriety, and whose self-control is equal to all emergencies; who does not make the poor man conscious of his poverty, the obscure man of his obscurity, or any man of his inferiority or deformity; who is himself humbled if necessity compels him to humble another; who does not flatter wealth, cringe before power, or boast of his own possessions or achievements; who speaks with frankness but always with sincerity and sympathy; whose deed follows his word; who thinks of the rights and feelings of others, rather than his own; and who appears well in any company, a man with whom honor is sacred and virtue safe." - John Walter Wayland, VA 1899

Sigma Chi

Right: Rob NeSmith and Will Breland

"I believe in fairness, decency and good manners. I will endeavor to retain the spirit of youth. I will try to make my college, the Sigma Chi Fraternity, and my own chapter more honored by all men and women and more beloved and honestly respected by our own brothers. I say these words in all sincerity; That Sigma Chi has given me favor and distinction; that the bond of our fellowship is reciprocal, that I will endeavor to so build myself and so conduct myself that I will ever be a credit to our Fraternity."

- George Ade

Left: Tyler Byrd and Keith Nickles

Chi Chi Chapter

Sigma Nu

Lambda-Theta Chapter

Love
Truth
Honor

The Fraternity's values are summarized as an adherence to the principles of brotherly Love, Truth, and Honor. Because of its military heritage, Sigma Nu retains many military trappings in its chapter ranks and traditions, and places much importance on the concept of personal honor. Today, Sigma Nu honors its founders' integrity as the basis of its strictly enforced ban on hazing. Sigma Nu is one third of the Lexington Triad along with Kappa Alpha Order and Alpha Tau Omega, all of which were founded in Lexington.

Theta Chi

"I believe in Theta Chi, its traditions and its ideals. Born of sturdy manhood, nurtured by resolute men, ennobled by high and sacred purpose, it has taken its place among the educational institutions of America as a promoter of knowledge, an advancer of culture and a builder of character. It inspires true friendship: teaches Truth, Temperance and Tolerance, extols virtue, exacts harmony, and extends a helping hand to all who seek it. I believe in the primacy of Alma Mater; in the usefulness of my Fraternity, in its influence and its accomplishments and I shall do all in my power to perpetuate its ideals, thereby serving my God, my country and my fellow-man."

- Frank Schrenk

Organizations

At Birmingham-Southern College, organizations play a large role on the campus. Students are offered a variety of outlets where they can spend their free time. Student organizations cater to interests such as singing, multiculturalism, politics, publications, and much more. As the college increases student diversity and overall population size, organizations have grown to accomodate the student body. With over fifty student organizations on campus, any student is guarenteed to find a group in which they can express themselves. In addition, the college offers students the opportunity to create new organizations if they are interested in something the current ones do not fit.

S. S.

Students Offering Support (S.O.S.) is Birmingham-Southern's peer counseling organization. Membersare trained in counseling skills and are willing to listen to whatever happens to be on a student's mind--be it academic or otherwise. S.O.S. also serves as the college's orientation staff and are committed to providing educational programs throughout the year.

'Southern Ambassadors

Birmingham Southern College's Southern Ambassadors serve as the official tour giudes of the campus, hosting events such as Schoalrship Day for perspective students, their families, and any other guests of the college.

MECAA

The Middle East Central Asian Alliance (MECAA) is compiled of students that are dedicated to educating the BSC community about Middle Eastern as well as Central Asian cultures in order to promote understanding and tolerance of people with different perspectives. They use diversity week to the fullest when members pitch tents on the academic quad to raise awareness of genocide.

African Awarness:

African-Awareness: Invisible Chilren (AAIC) focuses on awareness and fundraising for neglected and abused children. AAIC works to educate the campus community about the need to protect the rights of children. In meetings, AAIC discusses issues that abused and neglected children face and, in the future, hope to impact the laws that govern these childrens' lives.

Invisible Children

Honor

Carol Thetford, Kimmie Forris,EmilyWalloce, Katie Glenn, Matt Maloy, Wes George, Justin Forgason, Ryan Melvin, Jeff Vaughan, Carson Land, Brendon Griffin, Peter Star, Brian Davis, Allison Bovell, William Moore.

The Honor Council is a court of 15 students selected by the SGA that are charged with the duty of hearing cases involving members of the student body who could potentially threaten the integrity of the entire school. Any violations governing student behavior or academic violations are brought before the Honor Council. The Honor Council court's role is to uphold the Honor Code and to uphold the three tenets of the Honor Code: HONESTY, INTEGRITY, and TRUTH.

Matt Maloy, Kimmie Forris, Emily Walloce, and Katie Glenn discuss the findings in a case.

The Honor Pledge

As a member of the student body of Birmingham-Southern College, I realize my responsibility to the traditions of the institution, to my fellow students and to myself. I recognize the significance of the Honor System and I pledge that I will not lie, cheat, or steal as a member of the Birmingham-Southern College Community.

William Moore and Justin Forgason listen intently during a hearing.

Council

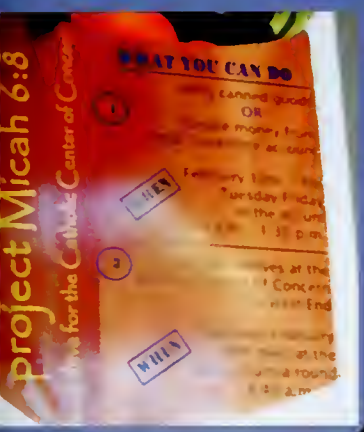
Residence Hall Association

The Residence Hall Association (RHA) makes the residence hall living experience as rewarding and interesting as possible for students who choose to live on campus. Any resident of campus can join the RHA and have a voice about what goes on with on-campus housing.

BSC Cheerleading

The BSC Cheerleading team is comprised of spirited students that come together to support our basketball and football teams. They enjoy supporting the teams as they cheer for BSC victory.

Catholic Ministries and Episcopal Ministries



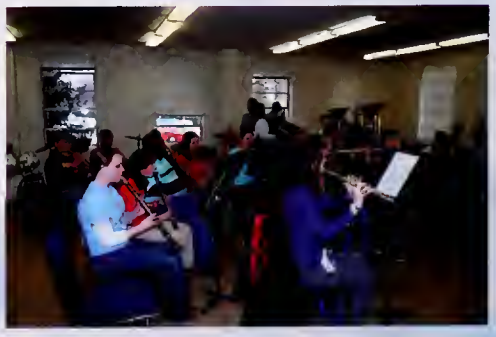
The two service groups gathering food for the homeless.

The Catholic Ministry on campus provides a unique and inviting worship space with a liturgy that fosters community and a place for students, faculty, and staff to meet, relax and reflect. The Catholic Ministry's mission is to develop leaders that are knowledgeable in the Catholic faith and to clarify the role of Catholic Christians in contemporary society. The Ministry's emphasis is on evangelization through adult faith formation, sacramental ministry and service learning.

The Episcopal Ministry is a place where people in all their diversity of backgrounds, beliefs, race, opinions, ideas, questions and concerns gather to pray, to sing, to read scripture, to break bread and to share the cup. Members gather with others to be challenged to grow in faith, sharing their journey with fellow pilgrims seeking the fullness of life that is promised in and through Jesus Christ.

BSC Pep Band/ Wind Ensemble

A group of students that love playing music get together on a weekly basis to practice. They usually play at basketball games and football games during the fall as the Pep Band. When spring comes the Pep Band becomes a Wind Ensemble that hosts a concert for students and faculty in the Hill Recital Hall.



One-A-Chord

One-A-Chord Gospel Choir is a group of students that practices and performs gospel music. They perform twice a year and are uplifting to those that listen to them.

Gospel Choir

Reformed University Fellowship

The Reformed University Fellowship (R.U.F.) provides students -from any background- with a place to learn more about GOD, thr BIBLE and themselves as they progress through college. R.U.F. believes that there hould be no seperation between a student's secular and their spiritual life. It's a safe place to ask big questions and find the truths to these answers as well. R.U.F. is affiliated with the national Presbyterian Church and, in keeping with that tradition, it is both the 'convinced' and 'unconvinced.'

Tom Franklin, Kyrsten Matthews, Laura Chaires, Dickson Buchanan, Hardy Regnolds, Hannoh Howell, Sarah Wilkerning, Courtney Alexander, Austin Tunnell, John Michoel Chappell, Elvis Le, and Marie Sloan.

Ellyn Sibley, Corey Decker, Virginia Ann Jorndan, Hunter Pugh, Melissa Fetterer, Claire Johnston and William Temple.

Wesley Fellowship is BSC's United Methodist student fellowship. The fellowship is committed to growing, nurturing, and enriching a student's relationship with Christ, as well as others. The Fellowship focuses on community service, Bible study, and connecting with other Christians.

Wesley Fellowship

ALLIES

Allies is the official gay- and straight- student alliance of BSC. The objective of Allies is to increase awareness of issues affecting the gay community. By bringing awareness to such issues, Allies hopes to foster a sense of solidarity between Birmingham-Southern's gay and straight students. Once solidarity is achieved, Allies hopes that political activism will take place.

Officers: Buddy Permenter (President), Jane Archer (Faculty Sponsor), Amy Schumacher (Vice President), Sarah Parkinson (Secretary), Matilda Easterbrook (MAC Representative) and Janaye Roberson (Treasurer).

Poetry Circle

The Poetry Circle meets periodically to engage in poetry readings of their own and others work. The group will then have a discussion about the content and the technical components of the poetry they have just read. Many Poetry Circle members themselves are poets and use this time to share their own work and recieve feedback from fellow writers.

Members:

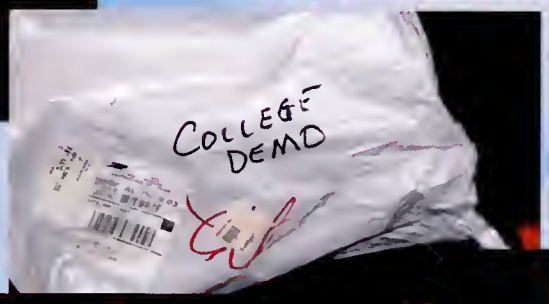
Monique Roberts, Susan Chesley Fant, Whitney Williams, Cedric Rudolph, Meredith Wiggins, Shandria Bell, Hellen Tiema, Jocelyn Stubbs, Thomas Perry, Cory McCord, Shequita Malone, Kamari Little, Marquese Johnson, Shaundrin Elliott.

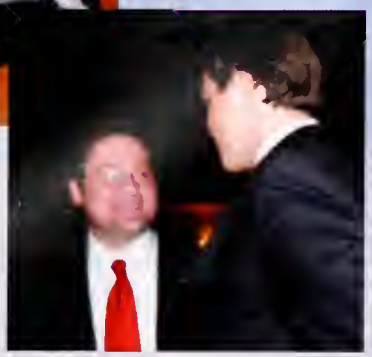
Commuter Student Union

The Commuter Student Union (CSU) is committed to providing the full college experience to commuter students, even though they do not choose to live on campus. CSU meets on the second floor of the Norton Campus Center, where they have their own lounge for commuter students to enjoy. The lounge is equipped with a couch, television, and tables for working on homework to make commuter students feel as though they have found a home away from home. Snacks and coffee are in frequent abundance and the conversations, like the people, are always friendly.

Avani Patel, Alex Austin, Daly Henning, Nico Arciniegas, Amy Strehle, Jannese Stallworth, and Thiago Queiroz.

College Democrats



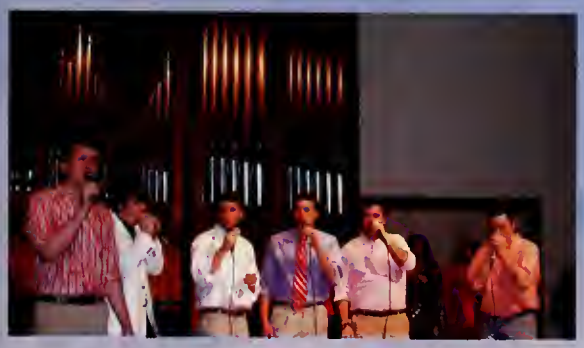


The College Democrats are a group of students on campus that are supporters of the Democratic party. They host meetings on campus to inform and discuss with other students of political issues that are currently supported by the Democratic party. Each year a convention is held for each Democratic organization within the district, and this year the convention was hosted by our own BSC Democrats.

Southern' Chorale

The Southern Chorale are a staple here at Birmingham-Southern. A mixed ensemble composed primarily of first-year students, the Chorale performs each December at the annual Carol Service and customarily presents a major work with members of the Alabama Symphony each spring. Their members are directed by Dr. David Smith.

Hilltop



The Hilltop Singers are a vocal jazz ensemble composed of twelve singers and instrumental combo, usually chosen by annual audition. Members receive a scholarship to participate in this group, which performs throughout the region in a wide-ranging program of jazz standards, doo-wop, a capella jazz and more. The Singers are directed by Lester Seigel.

Singers

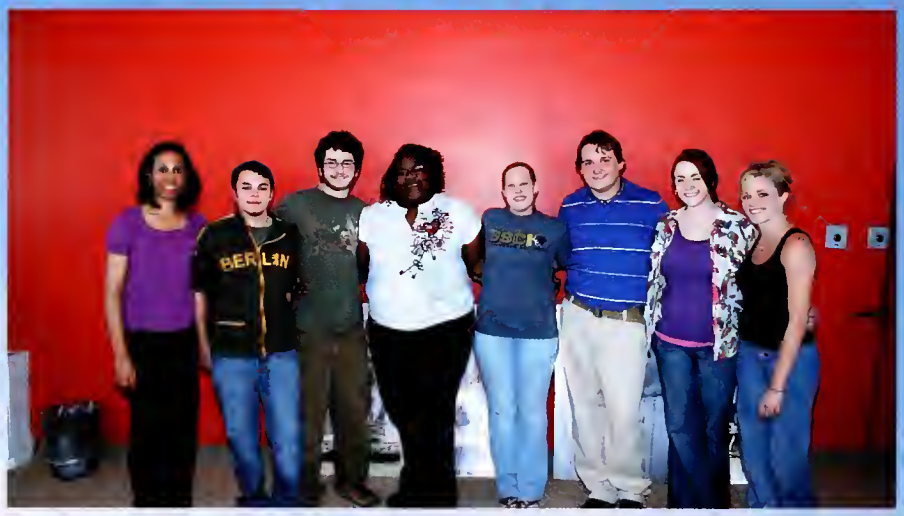
Student Government Association

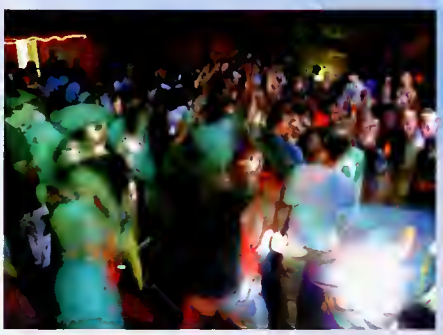
The Student Government Association (SGA) is made up of a panel of students that represent the student body includi five officers that are elected by the students. SGA makes decisions on many things that have a major effect on the BS campus such as funding and hosting the Welcome Back Dinner that is provided for students as they enter the ne school year. They also select those that serve on the BSC Honor Council. The SGA elects a new panel each year so th everyone that is interested in serving will have a chance to run and possibly serve the student body.

QUEST II

QUEST II helps plan and coordinate Entertainment Fest (E-Fest) in the fall and Southern Comfort (SoCo) in the spring for the campus community. Both weekend-long events host several bands and other acts, usually outside.

MAC





The Multicultural Advisory Committee (MAC) is made up of delegates from each cultural organization. These delegates meet together to discuss and decide on new ways to promote multi-cultural education among the student body. They ensure that any major holiday celebrated by any culture is represented here at BSC, and they also coordinate diversity week.

MCAO

The Multi-Cultural Awareness Organization (MCAO) is compiled of many students from all over the world. MCAO members work together to promote cultural awareness among the BSC community. They host many event during the year that promote such awareness.

Le Cercle Francais

Le Cercle Français members are lovers of the French language and culture. Their members attend meetings that are laidback, enlightening, and fun. Le Cercle meetings, which take place on campus, help members in speaking the language, seek to build their vocabulary, and, for some, help finally figure out those verb conjugations.

The Bunting Center

The Bunting Center is comprised of students and faculty that work together to provide multiple opportunities for service-learning. A committee of students works together with a coordinator of the Bunting Center to decide what the year will be like in terms of new service-learning projects as well as special events that would not be possible otherwise, such as educational travel service projects during interim.

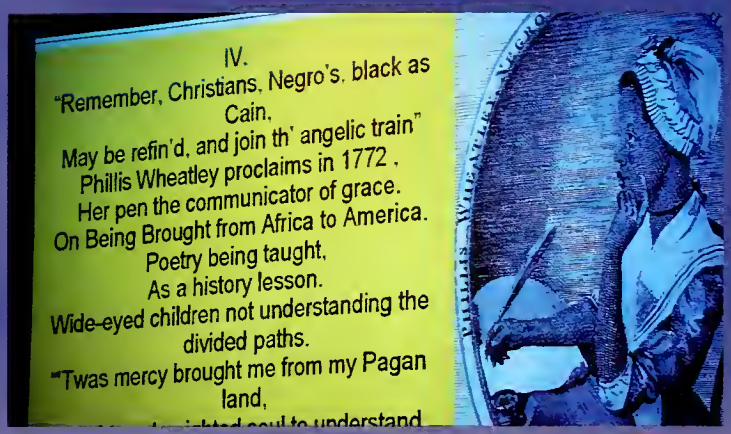
Presidents Service Team

The President's Service Team (PST) recognizes individuals who have contributed to the mission of Birmingham-Southern. PST focuses on servicing the college through projects originating in the President's office, for example special events, admissions, as well as other areas.

The Gathering

The Gathering is a worship organization that challenges its members to live faithfully and explores how one goes about doing so. The Gathering doesn't discriminate; they provide an environment where all are welcome to rest in the warmth and safety of God's presence. Worship is planned and led by Chapel interns with support from the chaplain.

Black Student Union



Through Black History Month, BSU educates the student body about cultural differences.

The Soul Food Festival offers good food and great company.

The Black Student Union (BSU) exposes the campus community to the cultures and ethnicities that exist both on our campus and the world at large. In order to meet this goal, BSU hosts guest speakers, displays cultural presentations and collaborates with other student organizations. They also host a Soul Food Festival and provide festivities during Black History Month.

College Republicans

The College Republicans discus important issues.

The College Republicans strive to promote a better understanding of politics at local, state and national levels. They act as an official auxiliary of the Alabama National Party.

Rowdy

Rowdy havin' a Southern' good time!

Rowdy, our mascot, leads us in cheering on Southern'. Rowdy represents pride and honor at BSC and shows it as he continues on with the long standing tradition of attending athletic events, such as basketball and football games. The identity of the person inside is hidden as Rowdy the Pather takes the stage with pride.

Rowdy's float at the homecomming pep rally.

Rowdy at pep rally cheering on Southern' students!

Other Organizations

Alternative Choices
Bread for the World
Compass Leadership Studies Journal
EnAct
German Club
Hilltop News
Institute of Management Accountants
International Film Club
Math Club
Philosophy Club
Publications Board
Quad Literary Magazine
Relay for Life
Religious Life Fellows
Southern Men's Ultimate Frisbee Team
Southern Political Action & Civic Engagement (SPACE)
Up 'Til Dawn
Women in Leadership Development (WILD)

Southern Academic Review

Southern Accent

O'Bryan Hewitt, Stephanie Hynes, and Angela Moore.

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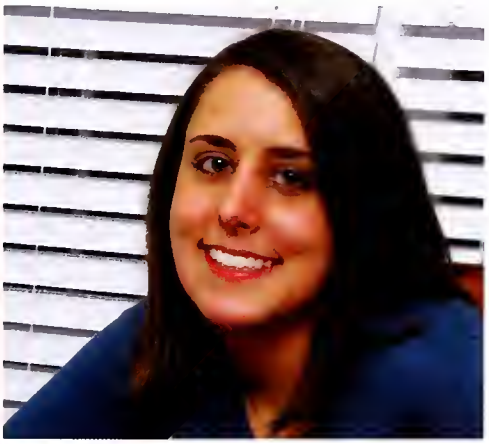

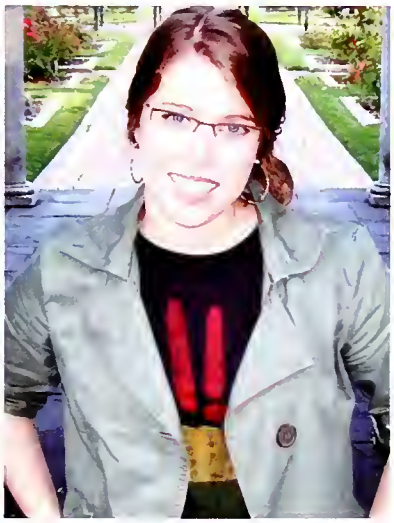

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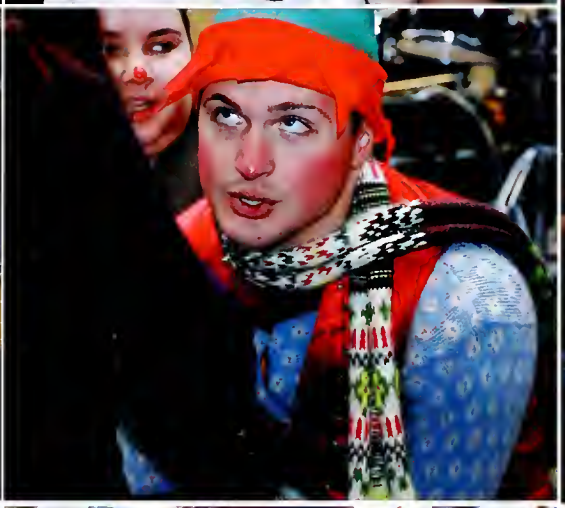

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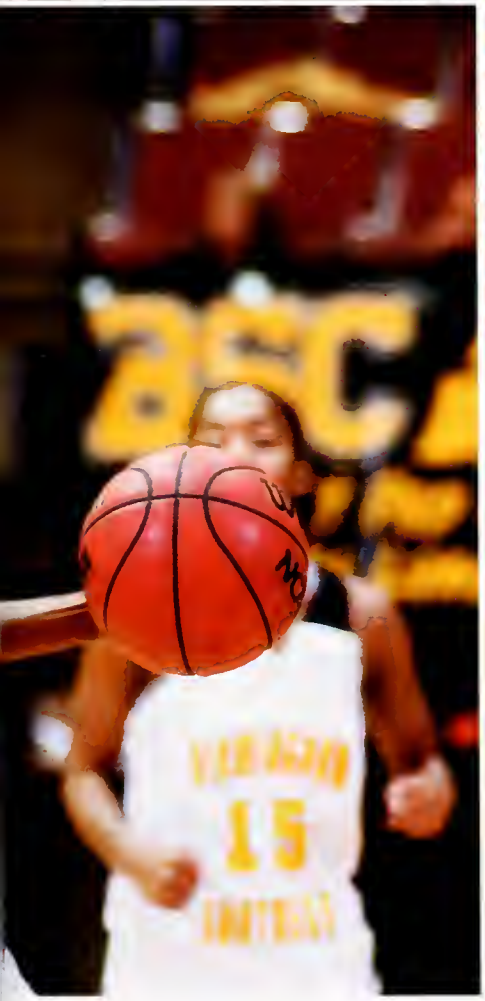

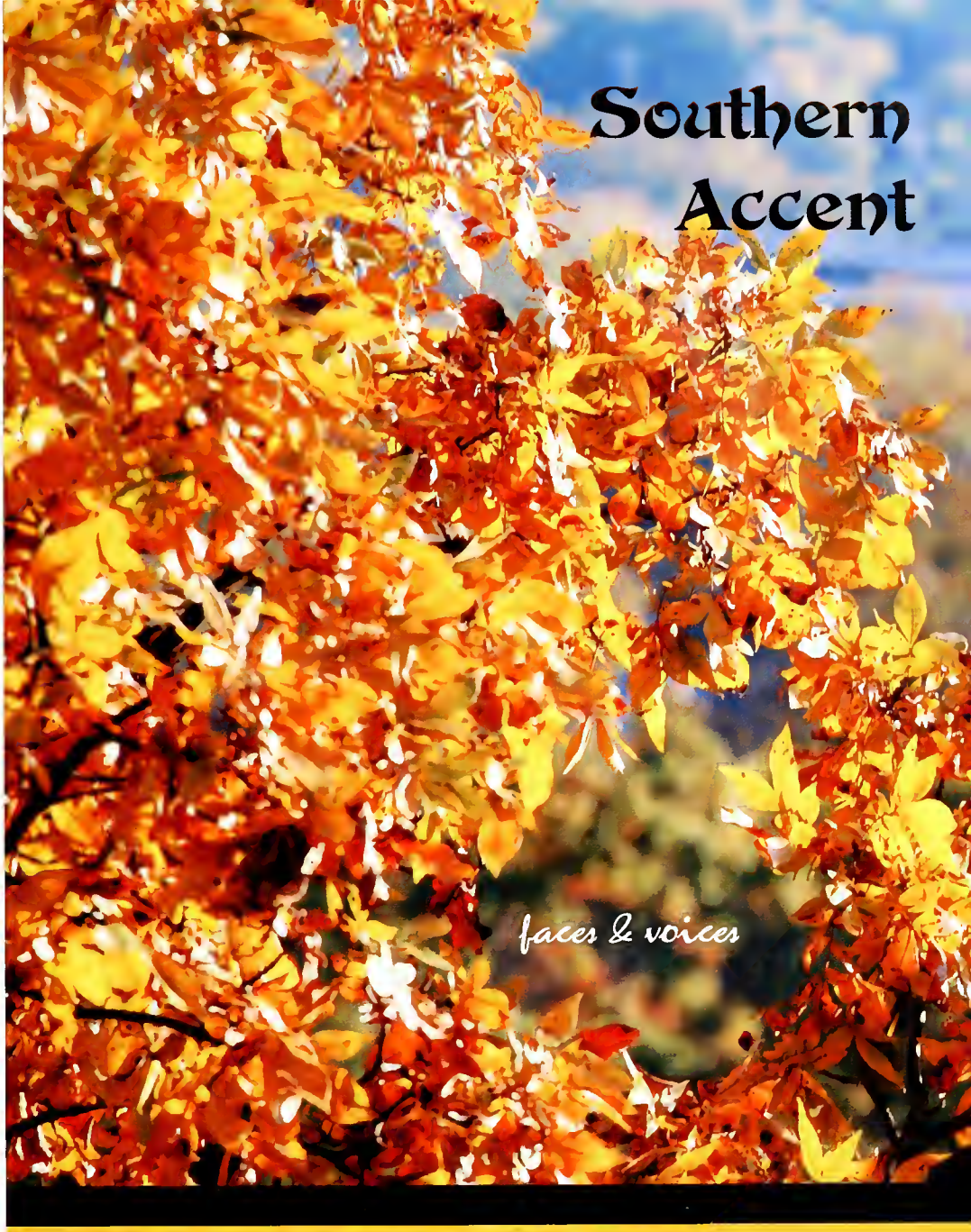

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